

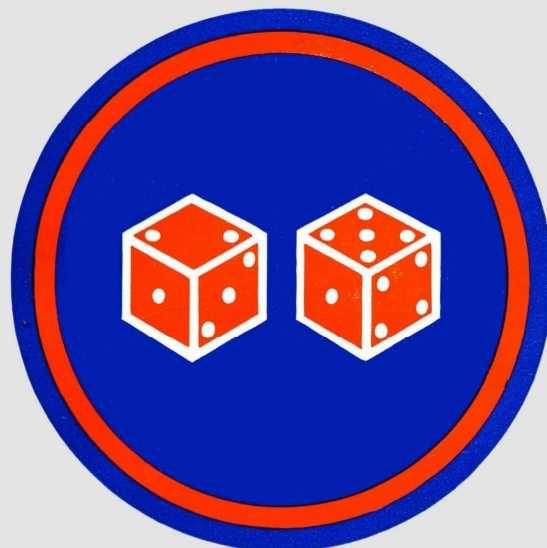
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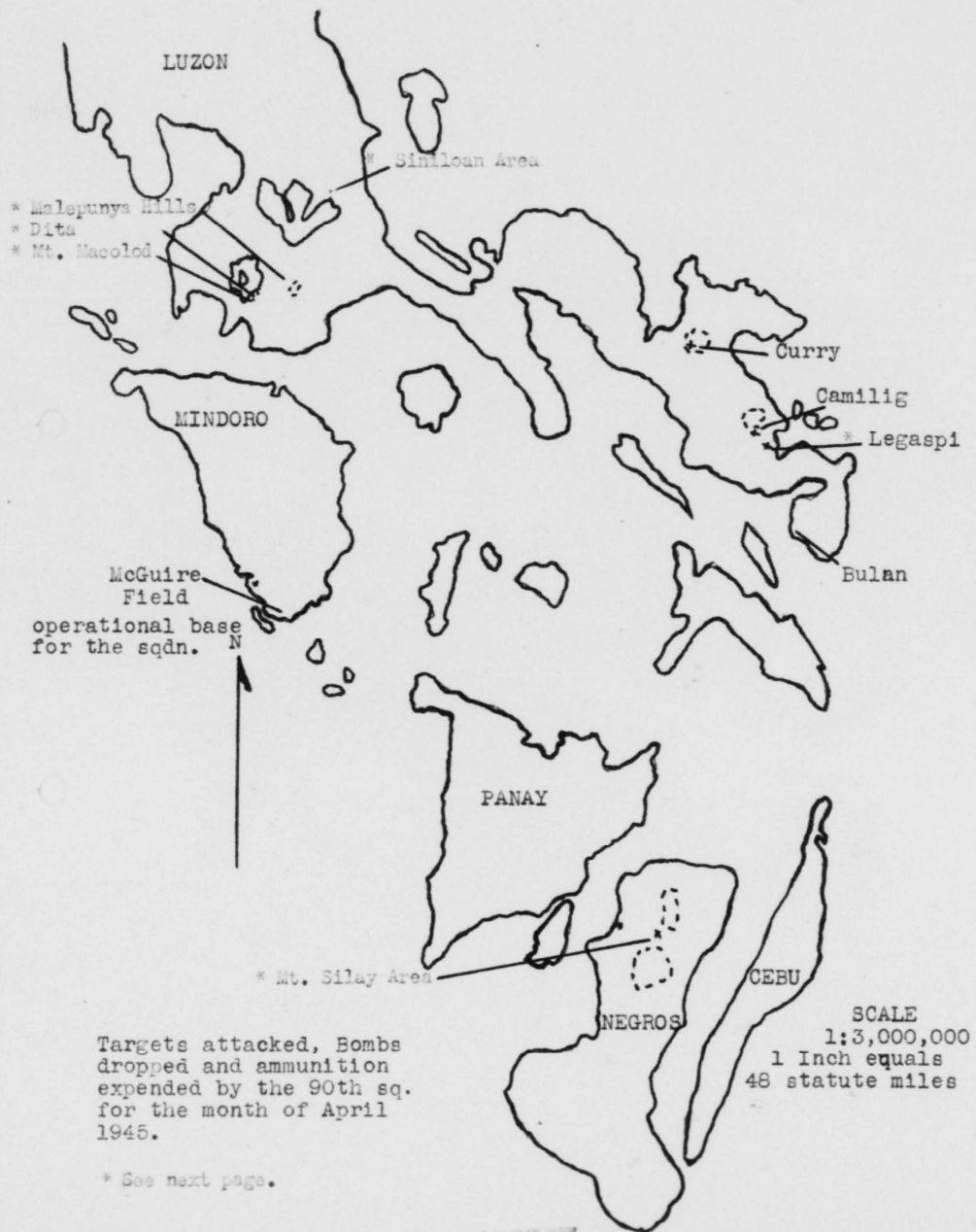
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MT. SILAY AREA - 20 M10 napalm wing tanks, 6 x 100 lb napalm bombs, 38 x 250 lb 8-15 sec delay demos and 132 x 250 lb 4-5 sec delay parademos dropped. 58,200 x .50 cal ammo expended in strafing.

SINLOAN AREA - 4 M10 napalm wing tanks, 14 x 250 lb 4-5 sec delay demos, and 35 x 250 lb 4-5 sec delay parademos were dropped. 12,500 x .50 cal ammo expended in strafing.

DITA-MT. MACOLUD AREA 4 M10 napalm wing tanks, 8 x 250 lb 8-15 sec delay demos and 24 x 250 lb 4-5 sec delay parademos were dropped. 11,400 x .50 cal ammo expended in strafing.

PALEPUNYA HILLS AREA 23 M10 napalm wing tanks, 24 x 250 lb 8-15 second delay demos, 8 x 250 lb 4-5 sec delay demos, 83 x 250 lb 4-5 sec parademos and 36 x 250 lb 8-15 sec delay parademos were dropped. 29,625 x .50 cal ammo expended in strafing.

LEGASPI AREA 13 M10 napalm wing tanks, 24 x 250 lb 8-15 second delay demos, 61 x 250 lb 4-5 sec delay demos and 197 x 250 lb 4-5 sec delay parademos were dropped. 26,850 x .50 cal ammo expended in strafing.

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FFO 91E-5. At 1300/I on 1 April 1945, nine A-20's took off from Elmore Strip, Mindoro and flew to Legaspi, Luzon where they were told by the ground station "Cracker 4" to return to base because there was no target due to weather. All bombs and ammunition were returned.

FFO 94E-13. Eight A-20's took off at 0730/I from Elmore Strip on 4 April 1945 and flew to Negros Island in support of the ground troops. The squadron leader called the S.A.P. "Night-shirt" and was told to follow "Firecracker Red" (two Corsairs), who would lead the squadron over the target. The specific target designated by "Firecracker Red" was two parallel roads $1\frac{1}{2}$ miles apart, running east of Negritos to the saddle between Sicaba Diutay Peak and Mt. Mandalagan. Vehicles, artillery pieces, and tanks were bombed and strafed with the majority of bombs falling on a concentration of vehicles five miles east of Negritos. 4 M10 napalm filled wing tanks, 8 x 250 lb parademos were dropped, destroying four vehicles and 12 to 15 drums of gas. 12,500 rounds of .50 caliber ammunition were expended, destroying three vehicles and damaging several more. Fifty to sixty vehicles and three light tanks and approximately one hundred new trenches and dugouts filled with Japs, were strafed with unobserved results. The Japs were surprised by this attack and many sedans and trucks were parked in the road with doors open while the Nips were running toward slit trenches. Five to six new underground shelters were seen on the side of a gulley south of the south road. One type K-21 camera was used to photograph the strike. The right engine on one A-20 began to cut out on arriving over the target and it returned to base with another A-20 providing cover. 2 x 250 lb, 8-15 second delay fused demos and 4 x 250 lb parademos were jettisoned north of Guimaras Strait by the A-20 with engine trouble and the A-20 providing cover, returned 2 x 250 lb, 8-15 second delay fused demos and 4 x 250 lb parademos.

FFO 94E-13. At noon on 4 April, two A-20's of this squadron took off from Elmore Strip with seven A-20's of the 13th Squadron to attack an enemy concentration in the Negritos area, Negros Island. The two airplanes of this squadron made five passes from north to south over the target, setting fire to and destroying a black sedan, thought to be a Chevrolet, and definitely damaging four to six other trucks by strafing. Near misses by bombs probably damaged two more trucks. Three trucks were seen in the east end of the target area and one at the west end loaded with what looked like baggage. All four vehicles were in good condition. 4 x 250 lb, 8-15 second delay fused demos and 8 x 250 lb parademos were dropped and 3500 rounds of .50 caliber ammunition were expended along the road on a ridge south of Malago River. No A/A fire was observed by these planes, although some sirplanes of the 13th Squadron received meager fire.

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FFO 95E-12. On 5 April at 0830/I, six A-20's of this squadron, flew to the Legaspi area where they checked in with "Oakum", who ordered them to hit Jap troops at Malabog; the target to be designated by mortar smoke shells. 3 M10 napalm wing tanks, 8 x 250 lb, 8-15 second delay fused demos and 24 x 250 lb parademos were dropped and 7,400 rounds of .50 caliber ammunition were expended in strafing. An ammunition dump concealed in a wooden building, received a direct hit by a napalm wing tank, resulting in a large fire and many small explosions. Two other buildings were destroyed by fire and several more damaged. Several trenches were seen under the trees in Malabog Town and on a hilltop 1000 yards south of Bariwy. Three wood and barbed wire road blocks were seen along the road between Pilarun and Malabog and several ditches were cut across the road at Tigasaw, Barayong, and Mariawa village. 2 x 250 lb, 8-15 second delay fused demos failed to explode. "Oakum" stated that the bombing was excellent. One M10 napalm wing tank was returned due to failure to release over the target. Three A-20's of the 13th Squadron flew with the six airplanes of this squadron on this mission.

FFO 96E-14. Six A-20's took off at 1300/I on 6 April to support ground troops on Negros Island but only three airplanes reached the target. Two of the A-20's had to turn back because the left engine of each plane was cutting out and another A-20 covered those in trouble. "Nightshirt" gave the squadron leader the target as two parallel east to west roads, starting one mile east of Negrit's. 4 x 100 lb napalm bombs and 8 x 250 lb parademos were dropped on trucks on the south road, 2½ miles east of Negrit's, destroying two trucks by fire. Supplies were scattered by a near miss on a camouflaged supply dump at the east end of the south road. 2 x 100 lb napalm bombs and 4 x 250 lb parademos were dropped on the north road, starting a small fire at the entrance to a cave with a napalm bomb and damaging an underground camouflaged shelter with a near miss. Many foxholes and trenches along both sides of the north road were thoroughly strafed with unobserved results. Propaganda leaflets were dropped over the target as was ordered. Meager, light, inaccurate machine gun fire came from an unidentified position on the north road. One K-17 type camera was used to photograph the mission. Several Japs were seen running toward foxholes near the north road and many small supply dumps were noted along the south road. Four Corsairs were making attacks the wrong way and they cut into the A-20's strafing pattern, but no damage was done. 4 x 100 lb napalm bombs and 8 x 250 lb parademos were returned and 2 x 100 lb napalm bombs and 4 x 250 lb parademos were jettisoned by the three airplanes that failed to reach the target. 5,900 rounds of .50 caliber ammunition were expended in strafing both roads.

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FFO 97E-13. Five A-20's took off at 0900/I on 7 April and flew to the Lake Taal area in support of ground troops. Malaraya Hill, the target designated by "Curless #1" located in Balabag town, was hit by all five airplanes of this squadron and one A-20 from the 89th Squadron which accompanied them. Four passes were made from south to north over Malaraya Hill. The five A-20's dropped 10 M10 napalm wing tanks and 20 x 250 lb parademos, the majority of which exploded on the hill, and expended 9,300 rounds of .50 caliber ammunition. One bomb started a gray smoke fire in a gully on the north side of the hill. Propaganda leaflets were dropped as ordered. One parademo failed to explode. A K-21 and a K-22 type camera were used to photograph the strike. "Curless #1" reported the bombing as being excellent.

FFO 89E-5. On 8 April, three A-20's took off at 0800/I with the 89th Squadron and hit a Jap motor pool southeast of Sulac, in the Lake Taal area. "Curless 1" gave the target and "Doubling Junior", the Third Group's L-5, directed the attack. The three airplanes dropped 6 x 250 lb, 8-15 second delay fused demos and 12 x 250 lb parademos with unobserved results other than all bombs hitting in the target area. No strafing was done, in compliance with the request of "Curless 1". Photos were taken with a K-17 camera. Ten burned out trucks were seen in a grove of trees 300 yards west of Sulac. Our troops were seen on Malaraya Hill.

FFO 98E-7. In mid-afternoon of 8 April 1945, four A-20's took off to give support to the ground troops on Negros island. On arriving over Bacolod Strip, the squadron leader called the S.A.P. "Nightshirt", who told them to attack a wooded area west of an L-5 that was orbiting in the Negritos area. The four airplanes made six single ship passes over the target, dropping 4 M10 napalm wing tanks, 4 x 250 lb, 8-15 second delay fused demos and 16 x 250 lb parademos and expending 7,900 rounds of .50 caliber ammunition. All bombs hit in the target area, but results were unobserved due to dense foliage. A small supply dump was set on fire by strafing. There was inaccurate A/A fire from machine guns and two 40mm weapons. The target was photographed with a K-21 type camera. A camouflaged truck was seen under some trees in the target area and there were three small clearings with tracks leading into the trees $\frac{1}{2}$ miles northeast of Negritos. As this squadron arrived over Negros, the 417th Group was attacking too far west of the assigned target, due to poor radio reception and a misunderstanding of instructions by the coordinator, who was in a B-24, and they were hitting our own troops. Both our airplanes and "Nightshirt" kept calling "Rebel 1" and "Rebel 2", the 417th Group A-20's, for fifteen minutes before they finally left the target. When the A/P's of this squadron had finished their attack, "Nightshirt" told the squadron leader that they had hit the right target. All four airplanes returned and landed safely at base at 1720/I.

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FFO 99E-9. This squadron had two A-20's flying to Legaspi on 9 April 1945, with six airplanes of the 89th Squadron. The formation took off at 0900/I and checked in with "Oakum" on arriving over Legaspi, to get a target and was assigned one 5000 yards SSW of Camalig. The exact target was marked with smoke and the A-20's of this squadron made six single ship passes from north to south with the A-20's of the 89th Squadron. 8 x 250 lb. parademos and 4 x 250 lb demos were dropped along with 3,500 rounds of .50 caliber ammunition being expended. Results of the attack were generally unobserved. There was no A/A encountered. Two small shacks were seen in the target area.

FFO 100E-11. At 1230/I on 10 April 1945, three A-20's took off to provide ground support in the Lake Taal area. They were accompanied by two A-20's of the 8th Squadron and one from the 89th Squadron. "Curless" asked the six airplanes to bomb and strafe a deep ravine running northwest to southeast, approximately 800 yards west of Dita. The ravine was marked at both ends and the forward positions of friendly ground forces were also marked with smoke. The three A-20's from this squadron dropped 2 M10 napalm wing tanks, 4 x 250 lb, 8-15 second delay fused demos, and 12 x 250 lb parademos and expended 5,900 rounds of .50 caliber ammunition. The run was made from north to south over the target, as requested by "Curless". Results were unobserved due to dense vegetation. A K-22 type camera photographed the mission and propaganda leaflets were dropped as ordered.

FFO 101E-9. Three A-20's took off at 0825/I on 11 April 1945 to support ground troops in the Lake Taal area. The target given by "Curless" was designated by smoke bombs dropped from an L-5. It was an area approximately 750 yards WSW of Dita, near the base of Mt. Macolod. Two M10 napalm wing tanks, 4 x 250 lb, 8-15 second delay fused demos and 12 x 250 lb parademos were dropped and 5,550 rounds of .50 caliber ammunition were expended in strafing, all with unobserved results due to the dense foliage. There was inaccurate machine gun fire from the target, but this position was later silenced. There were seven machine gun positions firing from the base of Mt. Macolod, but it was inaccurate fire. The target was photographed with a K-17 camera and propaganda leaflets were dropped. Numerous foxholes, trenches, and dugouts were seen in the target area. Three A-20's of the 89th Squadron flew with the airplanes of the 90th.

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FFO 102E-9. Three A-20's accompanied three A-20's of the 13th Squadron to Bulan on 12 April 1945, taking off at 0900/I. The actual target was an area three miles north east of Bulan and it was marked with smoke grenades. Four bombing and strafing runs were made by the three A-20's of this squadron, dropping 6 x 250 lb, 8-15 second delay fused demos and 12 x 250 lb, 4-5 second delay fused parademos and expending 5,550 rounds of .50 caliber ammunition with unobserved results. Numerous paths were seen in the target area. Seven caves were seen near the base of a hill at Bulan Strip. A possible bridge under construction over the river two to three miles ESE of Bulan. The old bridge was destroyed. One parademo burst while about ten feet from the ground.

FFO 103E-13. On 13 April 1945 at 0700/I, two A-20G's from this squadron took off with six A-20H's of the 8th Squadron and three A-20G's from the 89th Squadron to give ground support on Negros Island. "Nightshirt", the S.A.P., came in clearly and gave two targets to be designated by mortar shells. Target #1, a small hill and deep gulley approximately one mile southeast of Negritos, was to be bombed only and the two A-20's dropped 2 M10 napalm wing tanks, 2 x 250 lb, 8-15 second delay fused demos, and 8 x 250 lb parademos on the target with unobserved results. Target #2, an area 500 yards east of target #1, was thoroughly strafed with 4,000 rounds of .50 caliber ammunition. The targets were photographed with a K-17 camera. Two or three small caves were seen in target #1 area. Friendly positions were marked with red and white panels and red smoke. "Nightshirt" stated that the bombing was excellent.

FFO 105E-12. Three A-20G's took off at 0700/I on 15 April 1945 with six A-20H's of the 8th Squadron, to give ground support on Negros Island again. "Nightshirt" assigned a target on the north-west slope of Mt. Mandalagan and marked it with smoke. Nine single ship passes were made from west to east, dropping 2 M10 napalm wing tanks, 4 x 250 lb, 8-15 second delay fused demos, and 12 x 250 lb, 4-5 second fused parademos and expending 5,500 rounds of .50 caliber ammunition in strafing. Several trucks and two piles of supplies were probably destroyed. Inaccurate A/A fire came from a position just north of the target. Photos were taken with a K-17 type camera.

FFO 106E-11. On 16 April 1945, five A-20G's accompanied by two A-20H's of the 13th Squadron, took off at 0900/I to provide ground support on Negros Island, but were told by "Nightshirt" to return to base because all strikes had been cancelled. All airplanes landed safely at McGuire Strip, Mindoro, with all bombs and ammunition.

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FFO 107E-6. On 17 April 1945, five A-20G's of this squadron plus four A-20H's of the 8th Squadron took off from McGuire Strip, Mindoro, at 0630/I to provide ground support on Negros Island. "Nightshirt" assigned a target as the northwest slope of hill 3155 (370933 - Imbang River, 1:50,000) to be designated by smoke. The five A-20's of this squadron dropped 4 M10 napalm wing tanks, 6 x 250 lb, 8-15 second delay fused demos, and 20 x 250 lb parademos and expended 8,950 rounds of .50 caliber ammunition, all with unobserved results. The target was photographed with a type K-17 camera.

FFO 108E-7. The first of two missions flown 18 April 1945, was ground support in the Legaspi area. Six A-20's took off at 0745/I and checked in with "Oakum" when they arrived over Legaspi. The target, a small hilltop 2000 yards southeast of Guinobatan, was marked with mortar shells. The bombing run was made from southeast to northwest, as requested by "Oakum", but the target was not strafed, in compliance with "Oakum's" orders. 4 M10 napalm wing tanks, 6 x 250 lb, 8-15 second delay fused demos, and 24 x 250 lb parademos were dropped with unobserved results. One K-21 and one K-17 type cameras photographed the strike.

FFO 108E-14. The second mission on 18 April 1945, was six A-20G's providing ground support on Negros Island, taking off at 1358/I. All the airplanes reached the target but only five made the attack because one A-20 was hit with 25mm A/A in the left engine, causing the airplane to crash into the foothills and explode. Both Pilot and Gunner were undoubtedly killed. 4 M10 napalm wing tanks, 6 x 250 lb, 8-15 second fused demos, and 20 x 250 lb parademos were dropped and 7,150 rounds of .50 caliber ammunition were expended along a ridge running northwest and southeast, 3500 yards north of hill 3155 (Imbang River, 1:50,000), with unobserved results. Several "L" shaped trenches and two camouflaged pill boxes were seen in the target area. Three A-20G's of the 89th flew with this squadron.

FFO 109E-10. At 0645/I on 19 April 1945, four A-20's took off to hit hill 3155 on Negros again. Three airplanes reached the target, dropping 2 M10 napalm wing tanks, 2 x 250 lb, 8-15 second fused demos, and 8 x 250 lb parademos on the northeast slope of the hill. All the bombs hit in the assigned area. 2 x 250 lb, 8-15 second fused demos and 4 x 250 lb parademos were dropped on Jap A/A positions on a ridge running northwest and southeast, approximately 1600 yards ENE of the first target. Two parademos over shot the ridge and the other four bombs exploded on the ridge causing nil visible damage. Both targets were strafed with 2,800 rounds of .50 caliber ammunition. One A-20 returned imme-

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FFO 109E-10. (Continued)
 diately after take off, returning all bombs, because the main landing gear failed to retract. Moderate and accurate A/A fire came from four 20mm or 25mm guns, holing one airplane. There was machine gun fire from the same position. An A-20 of the 8th Squadron was shot down by this position. The target was photographed with a type K-22 camera. The squadron leader refused to make a dry run over the target as requested by "Nightshirt". The 89th Squadron did an excellent job covering the A/A positions. The airplanes landed safely at McGuire Strip at 0945/I.

FFO 110E-13. Six A-20's took off at 0900/I on 20 April to hit a Jap troop concentration in the Legaspi Area. The S.A.F. "Oakum" gave the target as a small ridge 400 yards south of Curry and the area was marked with smoke bombs from an L-5. 12 x 250 lb, 4-5 second delay fused demos and 24 x 250 parademos were dropped on the ridge, causing two fairly large explosions, starting a small fire with black smoke to 400 feet, and destroying five grass shacks. The target was strafed with 10,400 rounds of .50 caliber ammunition, silencing a 25mm gun position. There was some medium and accurate A/A fire from a probable 25mm position east of the target area and machine gun fire from the target area and the east end of Curry town. One K-21 and one K-22 type cameras were used to photograph the mission. The iron railroad bridge across the river near Pamili, was out of commission and a convoy of military trucks, thought to be friendly, was seen heading north on highway #1, approximately one mile south of Pamili town. Naga Air-drome was thought to be mined. Three A-20H's of the 8th Squadron flew with the six airplanes from the 90th. All planes landed safely at McGuire Strip at 1205/I.

FFO 111E-5. On the 21st of April 1945, eight A-20G's and one A-20H of this squadron, took off at 0700/I to support the ground troops in the vicinity of Camalig, Legaspi area, Luzon. "Oakum" said to bomb and not strafe the ridge top running north to south approximately 1800 yards southeast of Camalig. The target was marked with white smoke shells. 6 M10 napalm wing tanks, 11 x 250 lb, 4-5 second fused demos, and 31 x 250 lb parademos were dropped with unobserved results. A K-17 and one K-21 type cameras photographed the mission. Mt. Mayon, the nearby volcano, was smoking more than usual.

FFO 112E-7. At 1445/I on 22 April 1945, nine A-20G's flew to the Legaspi area, Southern Luzon, in support of the ground troops there. The target assigned by "Oakum", was the west slope of Camalig Hill and it was marked by white smoke shells. Only eight airplanes made two bombing runs over the target on a heading of 110°. "Oakums" request for no strafing was complied with. 16 x 250 lb, 4-5 second delay fused demos and 32 x 250 lb parademos were dropped, hitting in the target with unobserved results.

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Propaganda leaflets were dropped as ordered. One airplane had trouble with the right engine and was forced to return after salvaging the bombs safe in the water north of Tablas Island. The A-20 landed safely on McGuire Strip at 1555/I. One type K-17 and one type K-21 cameras were used to photograph the mission. There was a grass shack afire on the east slope of Camalig Hill. Friendly troops were south, west, and east of the target and their forward elements were marked by red smoke. The bombing was pronounced as excellent. The eight airplanes landed safely at McGuire Strip at 1720/I.

FFO 113E-5. Eight A-20's went to the Legaspi area again on 23 April 1945, taking off at 0745/I. "Oakum" assigned the target and ordered no strafing, due to the proximity of friendly troops and requested that the bombing run be made on a heading of 130 degrees. Two runs were made over a gulley on the west slope of Camalig Hill, dropping 16 x 250 lb, 4-5 second fused demos and 30 x 250 lb parademos with nil visible damage. One K-17 and one K-21 type cameras photographed the target. The forward positions of friendly troops were marked by red smoke. One airplane of the 89th Squadron flew with this squadron. All airplanes landed safely at McGuire Strip at 1030/I.

FFO 114E-6. At 0830/I on 24 April 1945, three A-20G's took off with six A-20's of the 89th Squadron and flew to the Legaspi area on another support mission. The target, a hill one mile south-east of Camalig, was marked with white smoke and two single-ship passes were made on a heading of 130 degrees. 12 x 250 lb, 4-5 second fused parademos and 6 x 250 lb, 4-5 second fused demos were dropped with unobserved results due to dense smoke and dust. The target was not strafed, in compliance with "Oakum's" orders. Propaganda leaflets were dropped. All airplanes landed safely on McGuire Strip at 1045/I.

FFO 115E-10. Ground support in the Batangas area was the target for 25 April 1945, when six A-20G's took off from McGuire Strip at 1300/I. "Curless" ordered the squadron to attack the area marked with white smoke on the west slope of hill 2218, 2500 yards north east of Malaraya hill. 4 M10 napalm wing tanks and 23 x 250 lb parademos were dropped with 80% falling in the target area. Inaccurate machine gun fire came from the hill approximately 500 yards south of the target. One K-21 and one K-24 type cameras were used to photograph the strike. Several caves were seen on the west slope of Mt. Matasha Bundoc, 200 yards east of the target and our troop positions were designated by red smoke southwest and west of the target. Three A-20H's of the 8th Squadron flew with the 90th. All ships landed safely at base at 1505/I. One parademo failed to release over the target and was returned.

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FFO 116E-13. Six A-20G's took off at 0830/I from McGuire Strip on 26 April 1945 and flew to the Batangas area in support of ground troops. "Curless" assigned the target as Hill #2380, 2500 yards northeast of Malaraya Hill. 4 M10 napalm wing tanks, 8 x 250 lb, 4-5 second fused demos, and 24 x 250 lb parademos were dropped and 9,300 rounds of .50 caliber ammunition were expended in strafing. There was nil visible damage. Propaganda leaflets were dropped over the target. Meager, light, and inaccurate automatic weapons fire came from the target area. The target was adequately marked with white smoke shells and was photographed with a type K-17 camera. Three A-20's of the 89th Squadron flew with the 90th Squadron.

FFO 119E-12. At 0905/I on 29 April 1945, nine A-20G's took off from McGuire Strip and flew to the vicinity of Siniloan in support of ground troops there. "Outlive #2" gave directions for two target area to be attacked (one area to be bombed and the other to be strafed) and requested that the bombing run be made from southwest to northeast. 4 M10 napalm wing tanks, 14 x 250 lb, 4-5 second fused demos, and 35 x 250 lb parademos were dropped on the north slope of a hill just south of the main road, 4500 yards northeast of Siniloan, destroying one grass shack. The main road, 2000 yards northeast of the area bombed, was thoroughly strafed with 12,500 rounds of .50 caliber ammunition, destroying two small shacks on the north side of the road. Propaganda leaflets were dropped as ordered. There was inaccurate machine gun fire from a hut at 415524 (Mabayat, 1:50,000). One K-21 and one K-24 type cameras were used to photograph the mission. One 250 lb parademo failed to release and was returned. All airplanes landed safely at base at 1150/I.

FFO 120E-14. At 0700/I on 30 April 1945, nine A-20G's took off to provide ground support again in the Batangas area, Luzon. "Curless" directed the squadron leader to bomb and strafe the fork of the river 1400 yards SSW of Bunsulan Hills on a heading of 180°. 4 M10 napalm wing tanks, 14 x 250 lb, 8-15 second fused demos, and 36 x 250 lb, 8-15 second fused parademos were dropped, causing nil visible damage. The squadron had fired two short bursts (350 rounds of .50 caliber ammunition) when he was asked by "Curless" to cease strafing. Propaganda leaflets were dropped over the target. Machine gun fire from the target area holed one airplane. The target was photographed with two type K-21 cameras. The forward positions of friendly troops were marked with red smoke and panels. All airplanes landed safely at base at 0945/I.

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There were three awards made during the month of April 1945, to the following officer and enlisted men:

First Lieutenant George (NMI) Prochoroff, O-747889, was awarded a Bronze Oak Leaf Cluster in lieu of a second award of the Air Medal for meritorious achievement while participating in sustained operational flight from 6 July 1944 to 27 February 1945. On GO #558, FEAF, dated 18 April 1945. (1)

Staff Sergeant Cecil R. Childers, 39399090, was awarded the Air Medal for meritorious achievement while participating in sustained operational flight from 27 May 1944 to 18 February 1945. On FEAF GO #553, dated 17 April 1945. (2)

Staff Sergeant Wallace P. Wilson, 39295331, was awarded the Air Medal for meritorious achievement while participating in sustained operational flight from 31 March 1944 to 12 February 1945. On FEAF GO #553, dated 17 April 1945. (2)

(1) GO #558, FEAF, page 56.

(2) GO #553, FEAF, page 53.

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2 April: Pvt. Delmas V. Cather, 36347062, Duty Soldier, was assigned from Detachment of Patients, 13th Station Hospital, APO 321. (1)

5 April: S/Sgt. Paul E. Dozier, 34525797, Airplane Armorer Gunner, was assigned from the Detachment of Patients, 165th Station Hospital, APO 321. (2)

6 April: S/Sgt. Harold E. Stupp, 33622264, Airplane Mechanic Gunner, was assigned from the Detachment of Patients, 165th Station Hospital, APO 321. (1) Captain Leo Esbin, O-466941, Flight Surgeon, became a member of this organization. (3) Sgt. John J. Holt, 15118560, Airplane Armorer Gunner, was dropped from rolls to the Detachment of Patients, 165th Station Hospital, APO 321. (1)

7 April: The following named enlisted men were promoted: (4)

S/Sgt. William Henry, 32333794,	Airplane Electrical Mechanic	to	T/Sgt
Sgt. Kenneth L. Gravely, 37161650	Airplane Sheet Metal Worker	to	S/Sgt
Sgt. James B. Huntley, 13035628	AAF Radio Mechanic	to	S/Sgt
Sgt. Richard F. Lyle, 37193607	Airplane Maintenance Technician	to	S/Sgt
Cpl. Melvin J. Abeln, 35796735	Airplane Maintenance Technician	to	Sgt
Cpl. Ira E. Cohen, 32333665	AAF Radio Mechanic	to	Sgt
Cpl. Henry E. Hoffman, 35638001	Clerk, typist	to	Sgt
Cpl. Sawley Rowlinson, 32502623	Airplane Armorer	to	Sgt
Pfc. Charles V. Alexander, 35140656	Airplane Engine Mechanic	to	Cpl
Pfc. Joseph R. Bogard, 18154219	Airplane Armorer	to	Cpl
Pfc. Joseph M. DiNatale, 33467144	Cook	to	Cpl
Pfc. Elias J. Elgin, 34659522	Airplane Armorer	to	Cpl
Pfc. Floyd R. Wendt, 37658126	Airplane Armorer	to	Cpl
Pvt. James E. Dietrich, 6267915	Cryptographic Technician	to	Pfc

8 April: Cpl. Elias J. Elgin, 34659522, Airplane Armorer, was transferred to the Detachment of Patients, 165th Station Hospital, APO 321. (1) Cpl. Joseph L. Wyatt, 14182429, Airplane Armorer Gunner, was transferred to 13th Station Hospital, Detachment of Patients, APO 321. (1)

9 April: Sgt. William A. McCormick, 37615692, Airplane Armorer Gunner, was reduced to the grade of Private (for cause) and appointed Corporal. (5)

- (1) Auth: USAFEE Reg 50-25, dtd 1 Nov 44.
- (2) Par 1, SO # 57 Hq 165th Sta Hosp APO 321, dtd 4 Apr.
- (3) Par 8 SO #25, Hq 3rd Bomb Gp., dtd 5 Apr.
- (4) Par 5 SO # 26, Hq 3rd Bomb Gp., dtd 7 Apr.
- (5) Par 8 rd to Pvt, and par 9 aptd Cpl of SO #26 Hq 3rd Bomb Gp., dtd 7 Apr.

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11 April: S/Sgt. Harvey N. Heck, 35005546, Airplane Armorer Gunner, was assigned.(1) Pfc. Charles J. Crawford, 32928613, Heavy Automotive Equipment Operator, rejoined this organization.(2)

12 April: 2nd Lts. John S. Heinen, O-757989, Pilot, and Ray C. Hugie, O-463405, Pilot, were promoted to 1st Lts.(3) Cpls. Donald R. Bier, 35322542, and Sol Chanin, 33799120, IFF Radar Mechanics were assigned.(4)

13 April: 1st Lt. Howard L. Naslund, O-750438, Operations Officer, was promoted to grade of Captain.(5) 1st Lt. William M. Ewing, O-748936, Flight Leader was relieved from assignment and attached unassigned to Detachment of Patients, 165th Station Hospital, APO 321.(2)

14 April: T/Sgt. Stephen J. Haretik, 35309081, Administrative Specialist, was assigned this organization.(6)

16 April: 2nd Lt. Jack D. Jurmo, O-765190, Deputy Flight Leader, was placed on detached service with the 360th Service Group, APO 713-1.(7)

17 April: T/Sgt. Wilfred L. Duetman, 17029864, Communications Technician, T/Sgt. Anton W. Senger, 37160422, Quartermaster Supply Technician, and S/Sgt. George E. Sheridan, 34155196, Airplane Maintenance Technician, were relieved from assignment this organization and attached unassigned Rotation Detachment Base "K", APO 72.(8) Sgt. James A. Owens, 34350600, Airplane Maintenance Technician, was placed on TDY with the 93rd Replacement Battalion, APO 72.(9) S/Sgt. Robert F. Bisdorf, 36657178, Airplane Armorer Gunner, was promoted to grade of T/Sgt.(10)

18 April: Capt. Raymond H. Oatley, O-747878, Flight Leader, returned from detached service with 360th Service Group, APO 713-1, as of 17 April.

19 April: 2nd Lt. Edward J. Kunzer, O-759379, Pilot, and T/Sgt. Robert F. Bisdorf, 36657178, Airplane Armorer Gunner, were missing in action over Talisay Airdrome Area, Negros, Philippine Island as of 18 April and were dropped from rolls to the War Department. T/Sgt. Reginald M. Rutledge, 6581987, Airplane Maintenance Technician, was dropped from rolls to Detachment of Patients, 165th Station Hospital, APO 321.(2)

20 April: Sgt. Sawley Rowlinson, 32502623, Airplane Armorer Gunner, was transferred to Headquarters 3rd Bomb Group (L), APO 321.(6) Cpl. Joseph L. Wyatt, 14182429, Airplane Armorer Gunner, was assigned organization from Detachment of Patients, 165th Station Hospital, APO 321.(2)

- (1) Par 2 SO # 27, Hq 3rd Bomb Gp., dtd 10 Apr.
- (2) Auth: USAFFE Reg 50-25, dtd 1 Nov 44.
- (3) Par 2 SO # 79, Hq USAFFE, dtd 22 Mar
- (4) Par 9 SO # 27, Hq 3rd Bomb Gp., dtd 10 Apr.
- (5) Par 1 SO # 75, Hq USAFFE, dtd 18 Mar
- (6) VOGO 3rd Bomb Gp.
- (7) Par 13 SO # 98, Hq VBC, dtd 8 Apr.
- (8) Par 1 SO # 102, Hq VBC, dtd 12 Apr.
- (9) Par 12 SO # 102, Hq VBC, dtd 12 Apr.
- (10) Par 2 SO # 28, Hq 3rd Bomb Gp., dtd 13 Apr.

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21 April: 2nd Lt. Earl L. Dannals, O-764978, Pilot, was promoted to the rank of 1st Lt.(1) 2nd Lt. Thomas L. McCoy, O-765025, Pilot, was promoted to the rank of 1st Lt.(2) 2nd Lt. Harrold E. Moberly, O-1167992, Pilot, was promoted to the rank of 1st Lt.(3)

22 April: S/Sgt. Edward T. Dodd, 31195833, Administrative Specialist, was assigned to this organization.(4) S/Sgt. William R. Miller, 38282523, Airplane Armorer Gunner, was relieved from assigned organization and transferred to Detachment of Patients 165th Station Hospital, APO 321.(5)

24 April: Cpl. William A. McCormick, 37615692, Airplane Armorer Gunner, (awaiting trial in San Jose stockade APO 321) was convicted for violation of the 96th Article of War and sentenced to six (6) month hard labor and forfeiture of fourteen dollars (\$14.00) per month for like period. Fifth Air Force Stockade, APO 74 designated as place of confinement.(6) Subject soldier was reduced to grade of private,(for cause) effective 21 April.(7)

25 April: M/Sgt. William J. Pegg, 6848848, Airplane Armorer Gunner, was relieved from assigned organization and transferred to attached unassigned to Detachment of Patients of 165th Station Hospital, APO 321.(5)

28 April: Allan S. Bufkin, O-765924, Pilot, assigned organization from Headquarters 360th Air Service Group.(8) Cpl. Vernon C. Jensen, 37090852, Airplane and Engine Mechanic, was assigned this organization from 4th Replacement Depot, APO 703.(5) Sgts Natale J. Giuffra, 32419025, Airplane Armorer Gunner, and Chester E. Mathers, 34708082, Aerial Engineer Gunner, were promoted to the grade of Staff Sergeants.(9) Cpl. Joseph M. Lewinski, 36732407, Airplane Armorer Gunner, was promoted to the grade of Sergeant.(9)

30 April: William J. Pegg, 6848848, Airplane Armorer, was assigned to and joined this organization from Detachment of Patients, 165th Station Hospital, APO 321.(5) 2nd Lt. John R. Bartholomew, O-758288, Pilot, and 2nd Lt. Jack D. Jurmo, O-765190, Pilot, were promoted to the rank of First Lieutenants.(10) Cpl. Donald R. Hougland, 37216984, Synthetic Trainer Operator-Instructor, and Pfc. Alfred J. Lipsky, 16111000, Synthetic Trainer Mechanic, were assigned this organization.(11) S/Sgt. John E. Hines, 33628496, Chief Aerial Gunner, was promoted to the grade of Technical Sergeant.(12) Major Stanley D. Kline, O-675235, Squadron Commander, was reassigned to Headquarters 3rd Bomb Group as Operations Officer.(13) Major Samuel M. Frederick, O-407098, assigned as Squadron Commander Vice Major Kline.(13)

- (1) Par 5 SO # 81, Hq USAFFE, dtd 24 Mar.
- (2) Par 6 SO # 81, Hq USAFFE, dtd 24 Mar.
- (3) Par 1 SO # 83, Hq USAFFE, dtd 26 Mar.
- (4) Par 3 SO # 110, Hq 5th AF, dtd 20 Apr.
- (5) Auth: USAFFE Reg 50-25, dtd 1 Nov 44.
- (6) SCM Order # 3 Hq 3rd Bomb Gp., dtd 21 Apr.
- (7) Par 8 SO # 30 Hq 3rd Bomb Gp., dtd 22 Apr.
- (8) Par 3 SO # 31 Hq 3rd Bomb Gp., dtd 22 Apr.
- (9) Par 6 SO # 31 Hq 3rd Bomb Gp., dtd 22 Apr.
- (10) Par 4 SO # 71 Hq USAFFE, dtd 14 Mar.
- (11) Par 5 SO # 32 Hq 3rd Bomb Gp., dtd 29 Apr.
- (12) Par 3 SO # 32 Hq 3rd Bomb Gp., dtd 29 Apr.
- (13) VOCC 3rd Bomb Gp.

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90TH BOMBARDMENT SQUADRON (L)
3RD BOMBARDMENT GROUP (L) AAF

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APO 321,
14 May 1945.

SUBJECT: Transmittal of Unit History.

TO : Commanding General, V Bomber Command, APO 710.
Atten: Historical Officer.

1. In accordance with AR 345-105 and AAF Regulation No. 20-8, submit herewith the history of this organization for the month of April 1945, which has been inspected and verified by the undersigned.

2. The material submitted was prepared by Captain Donald Macomber, Jr., O-656200, Air Corps. Facts and observations included in the narrative and not otherwise credited are based on the personal knowledge and opinions of Captain Macomber.

Samuel M. Frederick
SAMUEL M. FREDERICK,
Major, Air Corps,
Commanding.

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The month of April found the squadron well set up on Mindoro Island. Because the camp site was in an old rice paddy and because of the impending rainy season, gravel was hauled daily from the river banks to make the area a little more livable.

Lieutenant Roland Bell, the communications officer, pulled a real coup by getting a brand new public address system and getting it set up in the squadron area. Loud speakers were set up in the enlisted men's area and in the officers' area. Music is played during certain hours in the morning and afternoon and announcements may be made at any hour of the day. The two outstanding records for the month were: 1. "Rum and Coca Cola" and 2. "Cocktails for Two." In fact, these two recordings were so popular that they had to be kept under lock and key and be guarded every night. The latest news is broadcasted daily over the "Bell" net work along with other announcements pertaining to the welfare of the squadron.

Congratulations to both Lieutenant Hugie and Lieutenant Moberly on receiving their promotions to First Lieutenant. Both officers had originally been commissioned with the ground forces in the Engineer Corps and Field Artillery respectively. After spending over thirty months in grade, their silver bars have been awarded.

The group coca cola machine was put into operation this month and it has been a great morale booster. Flent of ice cold carbonated coke is now available both morning and afternoon and for the price of 10 centavos, five cents, for a canteen cup full.

The enlisted men of the squadron organized a champion soft ball team called the "Paradise 10". The name was derived from the squadron insignia which is a pair of dice. The team was really whipped into shape by the middle of the month and out of 13 games they have lost but two. The officers' soft ball team, captained by Lieutenant "Rock" Buckholz or form l-a. our nefarious navigator, jumped off for a slow start, but later gathered speed with a final count of 5 wins to 4 losses.

Cock fights, the greatest of Filipino sports, have at last become part of the 3rd Group's schedule. Every Sunday afternoon at five sharp, the champion roosters of each squadron are matched in the ring. Hundreds of pesos change hands during this weekly event.

The 90th Squadron was the only squadron that didn't have any fighting birds. After much needling from the group as well as the other squadrons, our commanding officer, Major Kline, decided to get a bird to uphold the honor of the squadron. After much bartering and waving of hands, two mangy looking roosters finally appeared in the squadron and a special cage was built for them.

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Captain Fred Mead, the adjutant, called his bird "Blood and Guts" and Major Kline called his "Castor Oil". It was decided to give both birds a combat trial prior to the weekly fights. "Blood and Guts" and "Castor Oil" were placed in an improvised ring and after the usual preliminaries were let loose. "Castor Oil" took one look at "Blood and Guts" and then committed the unexcusable. He ran. Yes, ran all around the ring trying to escape the flashing claws and beak of "Blood and Guts". Then of a sudden both birds quit and ambled around the ring in search of food. The scene was so disheartening that both birds were sold for a song and to date the 90th Squadron has no champion.

Major Kline, Major Frederick and First Lieutenant Cordes from the 90th Squadron participated in two strikes to Formosa on the 24th and 25th of April. The mission on 24 April was to attack a butanol plant at Kagi. The strike was very successful and the butanol plant was completely destroyed by fire and demolition bombs. Lieutenant Cordes held the distinction of destroying the first locomotive in the history of this squadron. The mission on the 25th of April was to attack a butanol plant at Taito on the southwest coast of Formosa. Again the strike was successful and the plant was left enveloped in flames.

Toward the end of April, the group leased two rest houses in Manila near San Juan Heights. Every four days ten enlisted men from the squadron are sent up to Manila for a rest cure. This practice has raised the morale enormously. One quart of whiskey and twelve cans of beer are allotted to each man which has proved to be sufficient. Due to the law of supply and demand, prices have sky-rocketed and a plate of ham and eggs can be compared with a filet mignon back home. The flight surgeon now talks to each man prior to his departure and gives him a V-kit. Though the VD rate is extremely high in Manila, the squadron has had very little trouble in this line.

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Major Stanley D. Kline, O-675235

C.O., 90th Sq., 15 Oct. 1944-30 April 1945



Major Samuel M. Frederick, O-407093

C.O., 90th Sq., 30 April 1945-

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Major Stanley D. Kline was born in Waverly, New York, May 11 1920. He attended grade and high schools in his home town. In 1936, Major Kline and his brother purchased a second hand cub and, after piecing it together so it would work, learned to fly the hard way. After mastering the technique, he learned to fly airplanes with more horsepower until he finally earned a commercial license. In 1938 he got a job as a pilot working for the Sintilla Magneto Company, flying the company wheels around the country. He held this job until 1940 when he resigned to enlist in the Army as a private. He went through mechanics school at Chamute Field and rose steadily in the ranks. Early in 1942, Major Kline applied for flying cadet training and in July 1942 he turned in his master sergeants stripes for the propeller and wing insignia of the flying cadets. Due to his early training in aviation, Major Kline knew airplanes from both the flying and maintenance end. Because of this, primary basic and advanced training all passed by with little or no incident.

On 20 March 1943, Major Kline received his silver wings and brand new gold bars. It goes without saying that he put a few of his underclassmen in a frantic brace just to prove to himself that he was a commissioned officer at last. In July 1943, Major Kline was sent overseas as a combat replacement.

In September 1943, Major Kline was assigned to the 13th Squadron of the Third Group, then stationed at Dobodura near Buna, New Guinea. He received his baptism of fire over such places as Rabaul and Newak where the Japs were still a really formidable foe. He later flew missions over Hollandia, Biak, Manokwari and other heavily fortified Jap bases in the N.E.I.

On September 22, 1944, Major Kline, then a captain, was transferred to the 90th Squadron as operations officer. Major Prokopovitz, commanding the squadron, left for the United States on September 28, 1944 and Major Kline was made our new Commanding Officer.

At this time, the 3rd Group was practically taken off combat status and rumors flew thick and fast concerning our part in the impending Philippines show. October 20, 1944 and the victorious landing on Leyte. The 3rd Group still sat at Hollandia awaiting orders. The ground echelon was sent to Leyte in November and then in January to Mindoro. All this time the air echelon sat doing nothing at Hollandia. Finally Major Kline and the rest of the air crews appeared 25 January and all was well again. Major Kline led numerous missions over Luzon, the Visayas and Mindanao and has received an Air Medal and Oak Leaf Cluster for his combat flying. On 30 April Major Kline received orders sending him to Group Headquarters as the new S-3 officer. The initiative, as well as the personal interest in both the administrative and tactical running of the squadron shown by Major Kline as squadron commanding officer gained him the admiration and respect of both the officers and enlisted men. The entire squadron wished him the best of luck in his new post.

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Major Samuel M. Frederick was born at Sault Ste. Marie, Michigan, 17 April 1919. At the tender age of six weeks, he and his family headed west and made their permanent home at Whitefish, Montana (no kidding, there is such a place), near the southern extremity of Glacier National Park. Major Frederick attended grade and high schools at Whitefish. He decided to become a civil engineer and spent six months at Alabama University and University of Michigan, whereupon he transferred to Montana State College. He spent two years training at Montana. In January of 1940, Major Frederick, being extremely interested in flying, put in his application for flying cadet training and in August was accepted. He went through primary, basic, and finally advanced training; finally graduating 14 March 1941. He remained at Stockton as an instructor in advanced single engine school until February 1942. Major Frederick then transferred to Victorville where he worked as a bombardier pilot and engineering officer until he became a squadron commanding officer. In April of 1943, he went to B-25 transition school at Mather Field and was sent as a B-25 instructor to La Junta, Colorado. Major Frederick remained there as a squadron commanding officer until late in October of 1944. On 26 October 1944, he was sent overseas and reported to the Third Group on 16 November 1944. Major Frederick went to Leyte and was also in the historic passage from Leyte to Mindoro. Major Frederick was assigned to the 13th Squadron as operations officer on 13 January 1945. He led numerous missions with the 13th Squadron until his transfer to the 90th Squadron on 30 April 1945. The squadron takes great pleasure in wishing Major Frederick the best of luck in his new command.

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On the afternoon of 19 April 1945, six A-20 crews of the 90th Squadron and three A-20 crews of the 89th Squadron assembled in the intelligence tent to be briefed on a late mission to Negros Island in close support of the ground troops west of Silay Airdrome. After the operations officer had given the plan of attack and "Cloudy Joe", the group weather expert, had given his usual CAVU spiel, the pilots and gunners got up, stretched and headed for their vehicles. It was a happy day for chief gunner, T/Sgt. Robert F. Bisdorf, 36657173, of Hasbrouck Heights, New Jersey. This was to be his last official combat mission prior to his departure for the States. For once, he gleefully gathered up the propaganda leaflets and promised faithfully to score a direct hit on the target with them.

After the usual last minute dash to the latrine, the combat crews headed for McGuire Strip for take-off. At 1358/I, the nine A-20s roared down the strip at 20 second intervals and circled to the left in order to assemble in formation. The 6th airplane to take off was piloted by 2nd Lt. Edward J. Kunzer, O-75937, of Elmhurst, Illinois and T/Sgt. Bisdorf was his gunner. Lieutenant Kunzer quickly joined the second element, fitting into the #3 or left wing position.

The nine airplanes then headed in a southeast direction from Mindoro for the north coast of Panay Island and hence to the target. The ground station at Silay Airdrome told the squadron, on arrival, to attack a ridge northwest of the Jap stronghold at Hill #3155. The Japs had taken the anti-aircraft guns that once defended their coastal airdromes at Fabrica, Malogo, Alicante, Bacolod, etc. and had dragged them into the mountains to the east to defend their fortified positions. The nine A-20s, on locating their specific target, let down to minimum altitude and approached the ridge on a heading of 135°, with all airplanes in trail.

As Lieutenant Kunzer approached the target, the Japs opened up with medium anti-aircraft fire concentrating on his airplane. Before he even reached the target, his left engine was in flames. Due to the nature of the mountainous terrain, he was forced to turn to the left into his damaged engine. The airplane, unable to maintain sufficient altitude, crashed into the treacherous terrain behind the enemy lines and exploded. No one saw any survivors, but there is a scant possibility that perhaps the crew escaped.

Lieutenant Kunzer and Sergeant Bisdorf are classed as missing in action and it is the fervent hope of the squadron that they will both show up some day.

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2nd Lt. Edward J. Kunzer Jr.
O-759379

T/Sgt. Robt. F. Bisdorf
36657178

Missing in action over Negros Island,
Philippine Islands, 18 April 1945.

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APPENDIX

AIRCRAFT STATUS REPORT
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90TH BOMBARDMENT SQUADRON (L)
3RD BOMBARDMENT GROUP (L) AAF

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APO 321,
3 May 1945

SUBJECT: Aircraft Status Report.

TO : Historical Officer, 90th Bombardment Squadron (L).

1. In compliance with your request, the following report on aircraft status for the month of April, 1945 is submitted.

DATE	AIRCRAFT COMMISSIONED		REMARKS
	IN	OUT	
APRIL			
1	13	1	
2	13	1	
3	13	1	
4	7	7	
5	7	7	
6	5	9	
7	5	9	
8	5	9	
9	3	11	
10	3	12	44-207 Rec fr FEASC depot #3
11	5	10	APO 920
12	4	10	43-22237 Trans to 376th Ser Sqdn
13	4	10	APO 321.
14	6	8	
15	6	8	
16	6	8	
17	8	6	
18	8	6	
19	7	7	Rec fr 376th Ser Sqdn . 43-22177
20	9	5	lost on mission.
21	10	4	
22	10	4	
23	7	6	44-207 DS to 49th Fighter, APO 70.
24	7	6	
25	7	6	
26	9	4	44-207 Rec fr 49th Fighter to 376
27	10	3	th Ser Sqdn APO 321.
28	10	3	
29	11	2	
30	11	3	44-207 Rec fr 376th Ser Sqdn

APO 321.

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ROBERT R. FITCH
Captain, Air Corps,
Engineering Officer.

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90TH BOMBARDMENT SQUADRON (L)
3RD BOMBARDMENT GROUP (L) AAF

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APS 321,
14 May 1945.

SUBJECT: Ammunition Expenditure.

TO : Historical Officer, 90th Bombardment Squadron (L).

1. In compliance with your request, the following report on ammunition and bomb expenditure during the month of April is submitted.

2. BOMBS:

Type	Number
1. demo GP 250# AN-M57	179
2. demo GP 250# AN-M57 (parademo)	518
3. demo GP 500# AN-M64 (parademo)	4
4. Incend 100# M47A2 (napalm filler)	8
5. M10 NF W.T.	65

3. AMMUNITION:

Type	Number
1. .50 caliber	143,230 rds.

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LOUIS O. ALDER,
2nd Lt., Air Corps,
Armament Officer.

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90TH BOMBARDMENT SQUADRON (L)
3RD BOMBARDMENT GROUP (L) AAFAPO...321
8 May 1945

SUBJECT: Personnel Strength Report, April 1945.

TO : Historical Officer, 90th Bombardment Squadron (L)
3rd Bombardment Group (L) AAF, APO 321.

1. The following report regarding assigned personnel strength is submitted:

	<u>OFFICERS</u>	<u>ENLISTED MEN</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
1 April, 1945	40	227	267
Add: Assigned	3	7	10
Returned from Hospital	—	8	8
	43	242	285
Less: Transferred	1	1	2
Dropped to Hospital	1	6	7
Missing in Action	1	1	2
Returned to US-Rotation	—	3	3
30 April, 1945	40	231	271

By Order of Major FREDERICK:

Frederic M. Mead
FREDERIC M. MEAD,
Captain, Air Corps,
Adjutant.

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90TH BOMBARDMENT SQUADRON (L)
3RD BOMBARDMENT GROUP (L) AAF

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APO 321,
12 May 1945.

SUBJECT: Monthly Summary of Events, 90th Squadron Intelligence Section.

TO : Historical Officer, 90th Bombardment Squadron (L), APO 321.

1. In compliance with section 7, par 1, memo #3, HQ VEC, APO 710, dated 22 February 1945, the following summary of events and activities of the Intelligence section for the month of April 1945 is submitted.

2. The intelligence section consists of one (1) officer and three (3) enlisted men.

Capt. Macomber, Donald, Jr.	0-356200	Intelligence Officer
S/Sgt. Cornell, Alan W.	32337060	Chief Clerk
Sgt. Hoffman, Henry E.	35638001	Clerk
Pfc. Dennison, Donald L.	38562416	Clerk

3. Intelligence procedure for the month of April was strictly of a routine nature with all targets being confined to close ground support with our ground troops on Negros Island and in the Batangas and Legaspi Districts of Southern Luzon. Due to the efficient work of the 6th Army liaison officer attached to group headquarters, our pilots were always informed as to the most recent positions of friendly as well as enemy troops. As a result, the missions have been successful as proved by the telegrams received from both the 6th and 8th Armies.

4. The section was extremely fortunate in receiving a new L. C. Smith typewriter which has helped tremendously in the typing of awards recommendations, the monthly history and the usual routine reports.

5. Interrogation of the combat crews on the ground support missions has been cut down considerably due to the nature of the terrain and dense vegetation in the target areas. The usual statement is, "Didn't see a damn thing." The intelligence officer, after pulling out his hair, decided to take the bull by the horns and go on a mission. He not only didn't see anything, but spent some time afterwards cleaning out the airplane.

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6. It seems that "Buna Joe", the famous Jap A/A gunner, that traveled from Buna to Lae to Hansa Bay, etc., has set up his headquarters on Negros Island. Due to the tragic loss of Lt. Kunzer and T/sgt. Bisdorf, the 90th Squadron is out to get him this time.

Donald Macomber Jr.
DONALD MACOMBER JR.,
Captain, Air Corps,
Intelligence Officer.

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90TH BOMBARDMENT SQUADRON (L)
3RD BOMBARDMENT GROUP (L) AAF

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APO 321,
7 May 1945

SUBJECT: Monthly Summary of Events, 90th Squadron Operations Dept.

TO : Historical Officer, 90th Bombardment Squadron (L), APO 321.

1. In compliance with Sec. 7, paragraph 1, Memorandum #8, HQVBC, APO 710, dated 22 February 1945, the following summary of events and activities of the Operations Department for the month of April 1945, is submitted.

2. The operations department consisted of 2 Officers and 4 enlisted men.

Captain Howard L. Naslund	0-750438	Operations Officer.
1st Lt. Edward W. Cordes	0-742563	Act'g Ass't. Opns. Officer.

Sgt. Leon (NMI) Cohen	32334045	Chief Clerk	(502)
Cpl. Elmer F. Brogdon	33522751	Clerk	(405)
Cpl. Darrell E. Valentine	17099571	Clerk	(405)
Pfc. John S. Phillips	37655694	Clerk	(405)

3. Combat Record.

a. During the month of April 1945, the 90th squadron flew 25 combat missions or 130 sorties for a total of 434 combat hours, plus 2 sorties flown by Lt. E.W. Cordes but accredited to the 8th squadron.

b. Two (2) planes returned and five (5) failed to take off on scheduled combat missions because of mechanical failure.

c. Our loss for the month was one (1) aircraft completely destroyed and the crew, - Pilot and Gunner, - named below:

2nd Lt. Edmund J. Kunzer	0-754379	Pilot
T/Sgt. Robert F. Bisdorf	36657178	Gunner

d. Five (5) aircraft were damaged by enemy A/A.

4. Tactics.

a. Tactics, on the whole, remained the same except for a general tendency toward the use of more than one plane per pass at the

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target. Due to the nature of the majority of the targets assigned, which were mostly in mountainous terrain, the single plane pass was used almost exclusively. Successive losses and damage, especially in the Negros area, has led to a closer survey of the target area, using more than one plane to each pass made whenever possible, and limiting the number of passes to two runs.

b. Some difficulty in coordination with ground support stations occurred, again, particularly in the Negros area (Night-shirt), making it necessary that squadron leaders depend wholly upon their own discretion in the advisability of hitting the assigned target and the tactics to be used.

5. Scope of Missions

Missions were carried out in the Negros, Legaspi, and Batangas areas, in direct support of ground troops. Two pilots, Major Stanley D. Kline and 1st Lt. Edward W. Cordes, the latter flying a plane from the 8th Sqdn, made a total of three (3) sorties over Formosa. The Formosa missions were something of a feeler to gain more lucrative targets for the 3rd Group. For these missions two 75 gallon wing tanks - one as a fire bomb, and the other as an extra load of gasoline for the purpose of boosting the A-20's range.

6. Miscellaneous

a. In instances where the terrain was such that a plane could not fly lower than 100 feet over the target to drop its bombs, aerial bursts often resulted. Since aerial bursts are ineffective against cave positions and pill boxes, it became necessary to drop the bombs free falling, in such cases, by releasing the parachute cables.

b. The four (4) to five (5) second delay fuse has been favored by pilots, since the early days of skip bombing. However, for reasons which have not been explained, a mixed load of four (4) - five (5) second delay fuse in the bomb bay and eight (8) - fifteen (15) delay on the wings has carried since January 1945; lately all fuses have been eight (8) - fifteen (15) second delay. The squadron has voiced its disapproval, because such a long delay necessitates longer intervals between the striking

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planes and fails to give the close protection of the bomb blast
to the retreating planes.

c. Experiments are being conducted on the use of 1000 #
parademos for future use. If used successfully, all credit for
the brainstorm goes to Lt. Alden, our armament Officer.

5. Training

a. Fifty-eight and eight-tenths (58.8) hours were flown
other than combat time. These hours were flown, primarily, on test
flights; the remainder was flown on administrative flights. No train-
ing missions were scheduled.

b. New Combat Personnel.

a. The following flying officers joined this organization
during the month of April 1945:

FREDERICK, SAMUEL M.	Major	0-407098	Sqdn. Commander.
BUFKIN, ALLAN S.	2nd. Lt.	0-765924	Pilot

b. The following enlisted combat man joined this organization
during the month of April 1945:

HECK, HARVEY N.	S/Sgt.	35005546	Gunner (612)
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Howard L. Naslund
HOWARD L. NASLUND, *AC*
Captain, Air Corps,
Operations Officer.

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90TH BOMBARDMENT SQUADRON (L)
3RD BOMBARDMENT GROUP (L) AAFAPO...321
8 May 1945

SUBJECT: Monthly Summary of Events, Squadron Headquarters.

TO : Historical Officer, 90th Bombardment Squadron (L)
3rd Bombardment Group (L) AAF, APO 321.

1. In compliance with Section 7, paragraph 1, Memorandum # 8, Hq VBC, APO 710, dtd 22 February 1945, the following summary of events and activities of the Squadron Headquarters for the month of April, 1945 is submitted.

2. The Squadron Headquarters personnel at the close of the month consisted of the following named officers and enlisted men:

Major Samuel M. Frederick, O-407098	Commanding Officer
Capt. Edward Mandell, O-564767	Executive
Capt. Frederic M. Mead, O-649677	Adjutant
F/Sgt. Taylor L. Davidson, 35267918	First Sergeant
T/Sgt. Max L. Freedman, 36065254	Sergeant Major
T/Sgt. Stephen J. Heritik, 35309081	Ass't Sergeant Major
S/Sgt. Raymond E. Bubb, 33014868	Orderly Room Clerk
S/Sgt. Edward T. Dodd, 31195833	EM Personnel Clerk
Cpl. Thomas P. O'Beirn, 32976978	EM Personnel Clerk
Cpl. Luis Ur, 42015231	Off. Personnel Clerk

3. Major Samuel M. Frederick, formerly Operations Officer of the 13th Bombardment Squadron, assumed command on the 30th of the month relieving Major Stanley D. Kline who became 3rd Bombardment Group Operations Officer. T/Sgt. Stephen J. Heritik was transferred from 3rd Bombardment Group Headquarters and became assistant to the Sergeant Major. S/Sgt. Edward T. Dodd joined the organization from the 1715th Signal Service Battalion and was assigned to the enlisted mens' personnel section. Cpl. Howard L. Makofsky, was relieved from his duties as orderly room clerk and assigned to the Engineering Department. S/Sgt. Raymond E. Bubb took over his duties.

4. The May Rotation Quota was received and constituted a keen disappointment to all. It consisted of three enlisted men to be returned to the States under Rotation, and one to be returned for 45 days' TDY. With the war in Europe rapidly drawing to a close, prospects in the near future appear to be encouraging. At the close of the month, forty (40) enlisted men had been continuously overseas for more than thirty (30) months.

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5. The duties of the orderly room and personnel section consisted in the main of routine Squadron administration. All enlisted personnel were paid in full on the last day of the month. Owing to the shortage of personnel in the local Finance Department we were unable to accomplish prompt payment for the past several months. At the direction of the First Sergeant trenches have been dug for the purpose of drainage in view of the on-coming rainy season. As a result of the weekly inspections of individual arms and equipment, a marked improvement in their maintenance has been noted. Inspections also revealed a large percentage of enlisted personnel did not have in their possession a regulation khaki cap, but the supply section issued caps to those who had none. Fifth Air Force shoulder patches are not available to the members of this organization. Requisitions have repeatedly been made to no avail. The squadron latrine was relocated again last month. The latrine is inspected daily by the medical department and the First Sergeant assuring its proper attention. The files were renovated revealing a general shortage of Army Air Forces and War Department publications, and steps for their acquisition has been initiated. A pass policy has been established authorizing ten (10) enlisted men of this Squadron to visit the city of Manila and vicinity for a period of three (3) days. Ten (10) enlisted have departed this station on three (3) day passes the last day of April. The remaining two hundred and five (205) enlisted men of this organization have keen anticipations.

By Order of Major FREDERICK:

Fred M. Mead
FREDERIC M. MEAD,
Captain, A. C.,
Adjutant.

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90TH BOMBARDMENT SQUADRON (L)
3RD BOMBARDMENT GROUP (L) AAF

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A.P.O. 321
8 May 1945

SUBJECT : Monthly Summary of Events, 90th Squadron Engineering Department.

TO : Historical Officer, 90th Bombardment Squadron (L), A.P.O. 321.

1. In compliance with Sec. 7, paragraph 1, Memorandum #6, Hq. VBC, APO 710, dated 22 February, 1945, the following summary of events and activities of the Engineering Department for the month of April 1945 is submitted.

2. The Engineering Department consists of 2 Officers and 70 enlisted men.

Capt. Fitch, Robert R.,	O-563004	Engineering Officer
CWO. Blois, George A.	W-2114717	Tech Supply Officer
M/Sgt. Langston, James W.	6262310	Line Chief
M/Sgt. Rachel, Leroy	6925074	Chief Inspector
S/Sgt. Myers, Warren R.	15896141	Ass't Inspector
Sgt. Carter, Edward F.	38256303	Ass't Inspector
Sgt. Sabel, Marvin H.	16155124	Engineering Clerk
M/Sgt. Brackin, Jimmie H.	14006578	Flight Chief
M/Sgt. Bostic, Keter L.	6971464	Flight Chief
T/Sgt. Duffalo, Pete D.	15072394	Flight Chief
T/Sgt. Gentry, Richard C.	35256690	Flight Chief
T/Sgt. Spitzer, John	37292162	Flight Chief
T/Sgt. Adams, Leslie L.	17000017	Crew Chief
T/Sgt. Fiske, William L.	11008442	Crew Chief
T/Sgt. Hart, Travis F.	18093078	Crew Chief
T/Sgt. Morth, Frank J.	17036113	Crew Chief
T/Sgt. Singleton, Herman T.	14071255	Crew Chief
T/Sgt. Weber, Cecil E.	14051998	Crew Chief
S/Sgt. Boulay, Joseph W.P.	11013590	Crew Chief
S/Sgt. Chadwick, Jack	15062663	Crew Chief
S/Sgt. Dassori, Arthur J.	32635497	Crew Chief
S/Sgt. Guttendorf, Frank W.	13040661	Crew Chief
S/Sgt. Luedtke, Edmund C.	12034433	Crew Chief
S/Sgt. Lyle, Richard F.	37193607	Crew Chief
Sgt. Larsen, Robert K.	39829465	Crew Chief
Sgt. Moose, John R.	14049525	Crew Chief
Sgt. Young, Edgar	35209087	Crew Chief
Sgt. Owens, James A.	34350800	Crew Chief (T.D. to U.S.)
S/Sgt. Katz, Herbert	11021091	Crew Chief

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T/Sgt. Ross, Robert C.	6919110	Ass't Crew Chief
Sgt. Frizzle, Glenn B.	11003593	Ass't Crew Chief
Sgt. Patlewicz, Micheal	32765432	Ass't Crew Chief
Sgt. Mann, Clifford E.	39181073	Ass't Crew Chief
Sgt. Whitley, Hayward A.	34196776	Ass't Crew Chief
Cpl. Alexander, Charles V.	35140656	Ass't Crew Chief
Cpl. McKinney, Max. A.	18222746	Ass't Crew Chief
Cpl. Simpson, Forrest L.	34729523	Ass't Crew Chief
Cpl. Wismer, David	33618242	Ass't Crew Chief
Cpl. Zipay, Joseph J.	32881013	Ass't Crew Chief
Cpl. Jensen, Vernon C.	37090852	Ass't Crew Chief
Pfc. Brommer, William R.	35806016	Ass't Crew Chief
Pfc. Short, Herman J.	35541205	Ass't Crew Chief
Pfc. Smeltz, Verner M.	33672428	Ass't Crew Chief
Pfc. Westdal, Herbert C.	39619868	Ass't Crew Chief
M/Sgt. Dlewallyn, Don	6720947	Tech Supply
S/Sgt. Halblaub, Phillip R.	12043775	Tech Supply Clerk
Cpl. Brachmann, Roy A.	36223133	Tech Supply
Cpl. Pitcher, George R.	37527713	Tech Supply
T/Sgt. Gannon, Eugene P.	19083840	Sheet Metal Shop Chief
T/Sgt. Magee, Wilfred W.	11024283	Sheet Metal
S/Sgt. Gravely, Kenneth L.	37161650	Sheet Metal
Cpl. Eland, Edmond A.	34688069	Sheet Metal
T/Sgt. Pierson, Vilias M.	15120320	Electrician Spec.
T/Sgt. Henry, William	32333794	Electrician
T/Sgt. Bartels, Charles	16039157	Electrician
T/Sgt. Jones, Grover W.	15040649	Instrument Spec.
Cpl. Van Vlymen, Cecil J.	36750322	Instrument
T/Sgt. Garen, Claude F.	37202067	Maintenance Chief
T/Sgt. Walding, Laverne	18018612	Ass't Maint. Ch. (Carb,Spec)
Sgt. Lehnartz, Wallace M.	37272809	Maint. Crew (A.M.)
* Sgt. Nodine, Willis T.	18109446	Maint. Crew (Carb Spec)
Sgt. Oltoff, Don F.	36190042	Maint. Crew (A.M.)
Cpl. Domis, Leighton A.	39568884	Maint. Crew (Prop Spec)
Cpl. Jones, Herbert W.	38564377	Maint. Crew (A.M.)
Cpl. Makofsky, Howard M.	38382279	Maint. Crew (A.M.)
Cpl. Valent, Paul F.	39240736	Maint. Crew (A.M.)
Pfc. Carroll, Clarence	38519166	Maint. Crew (A.M.)
Pfc. Kaufman, Milton	11111969	Maint. Crew (A.M.)
Sgt. Zack, Stanley S.	17036604	Parachutes
Cpl. Johnson, Bert. L.	33298046	Painter
Sgt. Shuell, William H.	16064326	Machinist
Cpl. Reeves, Irvin R.	37205414	Welder

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3. During the month of April Engineering personnel changed a total of sixteen aircraft engines. It is believed this number over a 30 day period is unsurpassed in the history of the Squadron. Due to extreme dusty conditions encountered at Elmore strip, engine cylinders, piston and rings were worn resulting in excessive oil consumption. An inspection of propellers disclosed nine with severe cracks and nicks, all of which had to be changed. This propeller damage was the result of rocks and gravel picked up from taxiways and revetments by prop rotation.

4. Airplane inspections included seven 50-hour and five 100-hour inspections, all of which were made in conjunction with the engine change.

5. A total of ten airplanes were grounded from four to twenty-two consecutive days. The maintenance record for the month was 55.6 per cent in commission, 30.7 per cent airplane grounded awaiting parts and 13.6 per cent for maintenance.

6. One new aircraft A-20H-10DO was received during the month. One aircraft type A-20G-45DO was lost over the target.

7. On the 7th of April the line section was moved from Elmore strip to McGuire strip because of approaching rainy season. This was accomplished over a period of two weeks because seven airplanes were left at Elmore strip awaiting engine change.

8. Two airplanes were transferred to the Service Squadron for change of main landing gear strut.

9. Total flying time of aircraft for the month was 486:45 hours.

10. The parachute department was inspected by squadron, group and bomber command inspectors and found satisfactory. Some parachutes have been damaged by rats but improvised traps has dispelled this danger.

11. The maintenance section at present is endeavoring to mobilize all shop machinery with the use of trailers. Salvaged airplane wheels and tires were used to replace small iron wheels on the "A" frame thus making it easier to move.

12. During the month Technical Supply department completed a 24-hour move from Elmore strip to McGuire strip. Sixteen engines and nine propellers were drawn for grounded aircraft and numerous other minor items. A complete stock and equipment inventory was initiated and completed and requisitions are in process for shortages. From a minimum of eight airplanes grounded at one time during the month; the month was finished with no airplanes grounded for parts and all were on the alert status.

Robert R. Fitch
ROBERT R. FITCH,
Captain, Air Corps,
Engineering Officer.

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90TH BOMBARDMENT SQUADRON (L)
3RD BOMBARDMENT GROUP (L)

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AFO 321
11 May, 1945

SUBJECT: Monthly Summary of Events, 90th Bombardment Squadron Ordnance Department.

TO : Historical Officer, 90th Bomb. Squadron.

1. In compliance with Section 7, paragraph 1, memorandum #8, Hq. V Bomber Command, AFO 710, dated 22 Feb. 1945, the following summary of events and activities of the Ordnance Department for the month of April 1945 is submitted.
2. The Ordnance Department consists of one officer and twelve enlisted men. The key personnel are:

Ordnance Officer	2nd. Lt. Louis C. Alder.
Chief non-com.	T/Sgt. Mayo Jeter.
Clerk	S/Sgt. Thomas E. Studley.
3. The Ordnance section delivered to the line for use:

(1) Bomb, demo. 250# AN-M57	<u>179</u>
(2) Bomb, demo. 250# AN-M57 (para demo)	<u>318</u>
(3) Bomb, demo. 500# AN-M64 (para demo)	<u>4</u>
(4) Bomb, Inc. 100# M47A2 (napon filler)	<u>8</u>
(5) M10 MF W.T.	<u>65</u>
(6) Cal..50 (1-1-1-1-1)	<u>148,230 rds.</u>
4. The Ordnance section is authorized by the Table of Organization eighteen men. We have only twelve assigned. One man does the clerical work, one is the small arms man, two cannot lift because of weak backs and the squadron draws one man each day for detail. Therefore a total of seven men made the above deliveries which is highly commendable.
 - a. Lt. Alder joined the organization 5 April, 1945 and was made Ordnance Officer as an additional duty.
 - b. S/Sgt. Studley returned from furlough to the States.
 - c. Pfc. Bogard was promoted to Cpl.
5. It seems to be a squadron policy if the section is not up to strength to distribute the rank to other departments on the basis that a unit that small should not have all the authorized rank, but should be pro-rated. The position vacancy is nevertheless there and some one is holding down the jobs calling for the rank. In fact because of the additional work due to shortage of man power they deserve it even more than normal. For better moral and efficiency the Table of Organization should be adhered to more closely.

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6. Operations were further hampered the past month because parts for the trailers are unobtainable and two trailers are not servicable. Preventative maintenance is not up to par because of the shortage of men. This problem is being worked out with the help of the Motor Pool.
7. rfc. Edward Fulton has been doing a very admirable job in the small arms section. He goes over the guns on a fifty hour inspection. The efficiency gained by this preventative maintenance is very noticeable.
8. Considerable instruction and demonstration has been given to the men in order to comply with directives of Fifth Air Force Ordnance. It is believed this has materially reduced the amount of duds from this organization.
9. A shortage of parachutes developed at this base. Sgt. Jeter and the men found a large pile still attached to fragmentation bombs. Many of them were not servicable but almost 200 servicable ones had been found when a Ordnance Officer at the dump told them they were "no good" and not to mess the pile up. This was perhaps the most humorous incident of the month.

Louis O. Alder
LOUIS O. ALDER
2nd Lt. AC.
Ordnance Officer.

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90TH BOMBARDMENT SQUADRON (L)
3RD BOMBARDMENT GROUP (L)APO 321
11 May, 1945

SUBJECT: Monthly Summary of Events, 90th Bombardment Squadron, Armament Department.

TO : Historical Officer, 90th Bombardment Squadron.

1. In compliance with Section 7, paragraph 1, memorandum #8, Hq. V Bomber Command, APO 710, dated 22 Feb. 1945, the following summary of events and activities of the Armament Department for the month of April is submitted.
2. The Armament Department consists of one officer and twenty-two enlisted men. The key personnel are:

Armament Officer	2nd Lt. Louis O. Alder.
Section Chief	M/Sgt. William J. Pegg.
Ass't. Section Chief	T/Sgt. Francis LaClair.
Inspector	Sgt. Harold Williamson.

3. The following bombs and ammunition were loaded into the planes to be expended over target, jettisoned and lost on destroyed and missing air-craft for period 1 April through 30 April:

(1) Bomb, demo. GF 250# AN-M57	<u>179</u>
(2) Bomb, demo. GF 250# AN-M57 (para demo)	<u>518</u>
(3) Bomb, demo, GF 500# AN-M64 (para demo)	<u>4</u>
(4) Bomb, Inc. 100# M47A2 (napon filler)	<u>8</u>
(5) M10 NP W.I.	<u>55</u>
(6) Cal..50 (1-1-1-1)	<u>148,230 rds.</u>

4. Lt. Louis O. Alder joined the organization and was assigned the job of Armament Officer as a primary duty.
5. Sgt. Williamson returned from furlough in the States.
6. Cpl. Billotti joined the section on or about 15 April, 1945
7. The following promotions were made in the month of April:
 - a. To Sgt. Cpl. Sawley Rowlinson
 - b. To Cpl. Pfc. Elias Elgin
Pfc. Lloyd Wendt
 - c. Sgt. Rowlinson was transferred to Group in the capacity of a Inspector.

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8. The armament section moved to Maguire Strip and was set up in twelve hours. We have a portable building which is a little more work to move but makes an excellent shop. It is large enough that we can store our fragmentation racks in it also. The wood in a portable building is extremely hard. It would be better if they were made from a softer wood.
9. The efficiency of the section could be increased if we had more up to date publications on the armament equipment used by this squadron. Suggest that better channels be set up for the distribution of technical publications.
10. The section could utilize a external power unit in order to promote better inspection and maintenance on the aircraft, especially the turrets.
 - a. Tools are very scarce and we have only one set per flight instead of one per airplane as authorized.
11. Armament has been assisting Ordnance in the fuzing and finning of the bombs. Proper instruction has been given and they have been doing an excellent job.
 - a. The practice of unloading the airplanes after a alert is one that is bad for the moral. As long as bombs are not left laying around the revetments it seems it is not necessary to unload the plane.
12. We have a special wing loading crew organized to insure that the wing bombs are loaded, fused and finned properly. One morning bright and early they got their directions mixed up and loaded a plane with the bombs turned end for end. They had loaded several ships before the armorer on the offended plane noticed it. He had a difficult job convincing the crew they had made a mistake. Needless to say they have weathered a barrage of "ribbing". This was our biggest contribution of humor for the month.

Louis O. Alder

LOUIS O. ALDER
2nd Lt. AC.
Armament Officer.

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90TH BOMBARDMENT SQUADRON (L)
3D BOMBARDMENT GROUP (L) AAF

AFC 321,
1 May 1945

SUBJECT: Monthly Summary of Events - Mess Department.

TO : Historical Officer, 90th Bombardment Squadron (L), AFC 321.

1. In compliance with Section VII, paragraph 1, Memorandum 2, V Bomber Command, AFC 710, dated 22 February 1945, the following summary of events of activities of the Mess Department for the month of April 1945 is submitted.

2. The Mess Department consists of:

	1 Officer	
	10 Enlisted Men	
Capt RAYMOND H. CATLEY, c-747878	-	Mess Officer
S/Sgt SIDNEY R. HUBERDEAU, 11097878	-	Mess Sergeant
Sgt WILLIAM F. MC BEE, 35274189	-	Asst Mess Sergeant

3. Considering the types of foods and minimum amounts issued in the past, the cooks have achieved successful results. The vital need of shortening to pastries have been scarce in issue.

Raymond H. Catley
 RAYMOND H. CATLEY,
 Capt, Air Corps,
 Mess Officer.

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90TH BOMBARDMENT SQUADRON (L)
3RD BOMBARDMENT GROUP (L)AAFAPO 321.
10 May, 1945

SUBJECT: Summary Of Events, 90th Squadron Motor Pool.

TO : Historical Officer, 90th Bomb Squadron, APO 321.

1. In compliance with Section 7, Paragraph 1, Memorandum # 8, Hq. V Bomber Command, APO 710, dated 22 February, 1945, the following summary of events and activities of the motor pool for the month of April, 1945, is submitted.

2. The motor pool consists of one (1) officer and twelve (12) enlisted men. Authorized one (1) officer and fourteen (14) enlisted men.

1st Lt. Moberly, Harrold E., O-1167992
T/Sgt Gresham, Clifford E., 14029299

Trans. Officer
Truckmaster.
T/Duty to U.S.
Chief Mechanic
Mechanic
Mech & Driver
Driver
Mechanic
Lubrication
Lubrication
Driver
Driver
Dispatcher and
clerk.
Driver

Sgt Kennedy, Gerald L., 37199603
Sgt Reynolds, William A., 7001135
Sgt Morton, Robert W., 18103587
Sgt Eritano, Gus A., 39016431
Cpl Hansen, John S., 37271051
Cpl Casino, Martin, J., 36337209
Cpl Matelski, Joseph A., 36169526
Cpl Shewmaker, James B., 37135314
Cpl Landrus, Elmer E., 6831948
Pfc Weaver, Wallace I., 38058738

Pfc Crawford, Charles A., 32928613

3. The motor pool this month underwent a series of changes. Lt. Stewart, Ordnance Officer, in charge of the motor pool, went home on rotation. Capt. Mandell, Squadron Executive Officer, took over in his place. Due to the necessity of attending the duties of Executive, Capt. Mandell could not spend as much time as needed in the motor pool. By order of Major Kline, Lt. Harrold E. Moberly was appointed transportation Officer.

4. A little more than the usual line of maintenance took place this month. From five to six vehicles are called in daily for inspection and lubrication. This system enables the men to make a weekly check up on the vehicles and correct any malfunctions found. Most of the trucks, trailers, and jeeps were in bad shape and about fifty percent of them are in a salvagable condition, but due to lack of shipments to this base, no new vehicles are available.

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Therefore it is deemed necessary to keep what is on hand in the best condition possible to maintain transportation necessary to keep a squadron functioning. Parts are becoming more and more scarce, but the 90th squadron is getting more than their share of what parts are available, due to constant hounding of Ordnance supply companies. The biggest complaint is with some supply bases. They have the parts but for various reasons of their own, will not release them, making some vehicles stay "deadlined" for weeks at a time. Why is it when we are authorized certain items of equipment and material, we have to bicker, trade, or fight to get them?

5. Percentage of maintenance this month was one hundred percent. We are authorized thirty seven (37) vehicles and have thirty seven (37) on hand. Four of which are on M/R to us. Each of these vehicles was called in and worked on, making the high percentage of maintenance.

Harrold E. Moberly
HARROLD E. MOBERLY
1st Lt., A.C.
Trans. Officer

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90TH BOMBARDMENT SQUADRON (L)
3RD BOMBARDMENT GROUP (L) AAFAPO 321,
12 May, 1945.

SUBJECT: Monthly Summary of Events, 90th Quartermaster Supply Dep't.

TO : Historical Officer, 90th Bombardment Squadron, APO 321.

1. In compliance with Sec. 7, paragraph 1, Memorandum No. 8, HQVEC, APO 710, dated 22 February, 1945, the following summary of events and activities of the Supply Department for the month of April 1945, is submitted;

a. The Supply Department consists of 1 Officer and 4 Enlisted Men.

Capt. Edward Mandell, 0-563767	Supply Officer
Cpl. William A. Dorsey, 34350610	Supply Sergeant
Sgt. Modest S. Wendowski, 15085695	Clerk Administrative
Cpl. Norman A. Ditzman, 36262498	Clerk Typist
S/Sgt. George J. Keller, 32233255	Supply Clerk

b. April was marked by the loss of S/Sgt. Anton W. Senger. Sgt. Senger served in the 90th Squadron Supply for over three years, eventually assuming charge of the department. He was a hard and unselfish worker and possessed a personality which greatly endeared him to the men of the 90th. Cpl. Dorsey replaced him as department head.

c. The usual routine continued. Clothes were salvaged, cigarettes were issued, bitches listened to sympathetically. In preparation for the rainy season boxes were placed under equipment and a gravel floor laid down. Soap became a little scarce, but not enough to worry about. Tent waterproofing suddenly became available in huge quantities. You get none at all or too much, as usual. Most other supplies are now available in satisfactory quantities. And during the month of April, as in every month, Supply waited apprehensively for the announcement of a Squadron move which did not come.

Edward Mandell
EDWARD MANDELL,
Captain, Air Corps,
Supply Officer.

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3rd BOMBARDMENT GROUP (L)

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APO 321
3 May 1945

SUBJECT: Monthly Summary of Events, 90th Squadron Communications Department.

TO : Historical Officer, 90th Bombardment Squadron, APO 321.

1. In compliance with Section 7, Paragraph 1, Memorandum #8, HQVBC, APO 710, dated 22 February 1945, the following summary of events and activities of the Communications Department for the month of April 1945 is submitted.

2. The Communications Department consists of 1 officer and 20 enlisted personnel. The section is authorized two officers and twenty-nine enlisted men.

a. The following are key men:

Lt. Bell, Roland L., O-860898, Communications Officer
S/Sgt Haskin, Delmar W., 39059796, Section Chief
S/Sgt Radlein, Kenneth V., 16047559, Inspector and
VHF Specialist
S/Sgt Browns, Wilton M., 34211258, Clerk and Radio Tech.
Sgt Fifko, George R., 36631125, IFF Maintenance

3. The department received its so-called shot in the arm, with the arrival of three new men; Corporals Chanin and Bier, radar mechanics, and PFC Lipsky, Celestial Link Operator. The shot in the arm turned toxic, because these men can't meet our needs. Since this is the first time they have encountered A-20 aircraft radio, we must necessarily retrain them to our equipment. It is the same story with all radio replacements these days. Quite a waste of otherwise valuable man-hours.

Inspections showed few mistakes this past month. Safety wire was broken on one command transmitter in one of the ships. Several turret swivel joints were broken, two SCR-522s were found dirty and one command set found off frequency. However, this can be explained by the move from Elmore Strip to McGuire Strip. We were operating off both strips, you might say, as some aircraft were left grounded at Elmore for lack of engine replacements. For the month of April no aircraft was grounded for radio trouble. We pulled our 50-hour and 100-hour inspections at the same time as the Engineering Department. Dirt in the ratchet motors of the VHF sets while at Elmore Strip was one of many headaches. A small air compressor as part of the I/E for radio would be very beneficial.

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Monthly Summary of Events, April 1945, 90th Sq Comm (cont)

We got around this by using the engineering department's large air compressor. A welding torch tip, for use on the air hose, does a good job of getting into the smaller crooks and crannies of radio equipment.

Pilots are briefed regularly on operation of all the radio equipment, yet "Cock-pit/Trouble" seems to be one problem you can't get away from. Infrequently towers report planes with emergency IFF on. Inspections prove their diagnosis incorrect. The main fault seems to lie in the fact that dirty dynamotor brushes, will give a "squitter" somewhat similar to an emergency signal.

The squadron has been looking forward to a PA system for some time. We finally received a PA-6, Signal Corps issue. Outside the scope of its military business use, it is surprising what such equipment will do for the morale. Reading the news and playing music during mealtimes, seems to offer the men much needed relaxation.

S/Sgt Brown is clerk, as this report shows. Due to lack of trained personnel we were forced to remove this man from the line and use him as clerk temporarily.

Roland L. Bell

ROLAND L. BELL
1st Lieut., Air Corps
Communications Officer

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90TH BOMBARDMENT SQUADRON
3D BOMBARDMENT GROUP (L) AAFAPO 321
12 May, 1945

SUBJECT: Monthly Summary of Events, 90th Squadron Medical Section.

TO : Historical Officer, 90th Bombardment Squadron, APO 321

1. In compliance with Sec. 7, Par. 1, Memo # 8, Hq V&C, APO 710 dated 22 February, 1945, the following summary of activities of the Medical Section for the month of April, 1945 is submitted.

2. The Medical Section consists of one officer and six enlisted men.

Capt. Leo Issin, M.C., O-486941	Flight Surgeon
Sgt Lawrence J. Corri, 32740387	M.C.O. in Charge
Sgt Melvin S. Hilt, 39831418	Surgical Technician
Cpl Lawrence R. Garcia, 37354471	Medical Technician
Cpl Charles White, 18011551	Medical Technician
Pfc James H. Hendrickson, 32860893	Medical Technician
Pfc Edward R. Kamlay, 36586398	Surgical Technician

3. Aside from the usual morning sick call wherein the continual battle between the gold plated individuals and the medics took a new turn with the frank admissions that "I'm not too sick but I'd like to be put on quarters". It is to be admitted that we were taken slightly off guard and were able to stammer a weak "No". Evidently the direct approach is the method of choice for the post month. The usual inspections of the sanitary facilities and mess hall with its personnel were carried out with zest- a forceful prodding. All complaints were received with a grave mien and our best sympathetic chuckle.

4. The immunization department had a field day with the administration of stimulating typhoid and cholera inoculations. We are proud to state that there weren't any cases of syncope, testifying to the extreme emotional control of the squadron. Of course, there were the usual extra dire threats and heerin, fibes about the sanity of the medics but a few flourishes with an extra long needle soon stopped that.

5. The most popular department was the combat whiskey section. It was probably the only time of the day where a happy atmosphere permeated the dispensary. The only arguments arose as to how many cubic centimeters there were to the ounce. It must be said that every drop poured was avidly followed by the recipient.

6. A new and extremely popular section was that of venereal disease prevention. Besides the lecture given to all, both the mechanical and chemical sets received a wonderful play. It seemed to be a mark of virility to take a half dozen of each per trip. Knowing the fondness of our GIs for the native children, it wasn't unusual to see some of the smaller, males, accompanied by their sisters, blissfully showing up the condoms with giggles--as if they knew.

7. Extra curricular activity of the month was marking, as the target that nice swelling on the tail cone of Lt. Doney; also assistance by Capt. "Kilgar."

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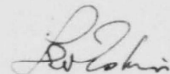
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Cognill and Lt. "Gillies" Cordes enabled the surgeon to make the pus flow like wine. The only effective salivage was adopted from the Kotex people. The resalivaging procedure was attended by a goodly crowd.

8. The most unpopular chore was line duty and we are happy to report that there wasn't any need of our services at any time during the tour. A prize has been offered by the surgeon as to any method whereby we can circumvent that duty with sad results.



MEO RWL.
Captain, Medical Corps
Squadron Flight Surgeon

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Headquarters, 310th Bomb Wing (M)
APO 321
1 April-30 April, 1945

FRAGMENTARY FIELD ORDER 91, 1 April 1945.

3. d. The 3rd Bombardment Group will:

- (1) Provide four (4) Sqdns A-20's, nine (9) A/C each, for ground support as per 310th Bomb Wing air support plan for LEGASPI Operations dated 26 March 1945.

FRAGMENTARY FIELD ORDER 92, 2 April, 1945.

3. d. The 3rd Bomb Group will:

- (1) Provide twelve (12) A-20s C/S DOUBLING for ground support LEGASPI Area, six (6) A/C air alert 0730 to 0930/I, six (6) A/C air alert 0930 to 1130/I. Check in with OAKUM. Secondary target LABO. Bombload: 250# Para demos. Two (2) A/C of each flight carry M-10 Napalm tanks on wings
- (2) Maintain fifteen (15) A-20s C/S DOUBLING on alert for ground support targets. Bomb load: 250# Parademos.

FRAGMENTARY FIELD ORDER 93, 3 April, 1945.

3. d. The 3rd Bomb Group will:

- (1) Maintain one (1) squadron A-20s on alert for ground support.
- (2) Release three squadrons for maintenance and training.

FRAGMENTARY FIELD ORDER 94, 4 April, 1945.

3. d. The 3rd Bomb Group will:

- (1) Maintain thirty-three A-20s on alert for ground support. Bombload: 250# Parademos. Two A/C in each squadron M-10 Napalm on wing.
- (2) Conduct armed recon over Hills around PT. MALEPUNYO. Check in with CURLESS. TOT 0830/I to 1100/I with three A/C. Bombload: 250# Parademos Napalm on wing.

FRAGMENTARY FIELD ORDER 95, 5 April 1945.

3. d. The 3rd Bomb Group will:

- (1) Maintain twenty-seven A-20s C/S DOUBLING on alert for ground support. Bombload 250# parademos. Two A/C in each squadron carry M-10 napalm on wings.

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FRAGMENTARY FIELD ORDER 96, 6 April 1945.

3. d. The 3rd Bomb Group will:

- (1) Provide nine A-20s C/S DOUBLING for the purpose of laying smoke screen and supporting paratroop drop in ALICANTE AREA. Check in with air commandship C/S TOMB STREET 37 on "B" channel, secondary frequency 4280 KC. Also check in with 503rd ground station C/S PETER 45 on frequency 4280 KC. First flight C/S DOUBLING 1 T.O.T. 0845/I to 0930/I. Second flight C/S DOUBLING 2 T.O.T. 1345/I to 1545/I.
- (2) Provide twelve A-20s C/S DOUBLING 3 and 4 for ground support in ALICANTE AREA. Six A/C in each flight. No attack will be carried out without direct contact with air command ship or ground control station, C/S NIGHTSHIRT and PETER 45. Bombload: 250# parademos, DOUBLING 3 T.O.T. 0930/I to 1130/I. DOUBLING 4 T.O.T. 1130/I to 1330/I.
- (3) Maintain six A-20s C/S DOUBLING 5 alert for ground support. Bomb load: 250# parademos, Napalm on wing.

FRAGMENTARY FIELD ORDER 97, 7 April 1945.

3. d. The 3rd Bomb Group will:

- (1) Maintain eighteen A-20s, C/S DOUBLING 1, 2, 3, 4, on ground alert for ground support. Bombload: 250# parademos, M-10 tanks loading Napalm on wing racks of two A/C in each squadron. Remainder carry 250# demos on wing racks.

FRAGMENTARY FIELD ORDER 98, 8 April 1945.

3. d. The 3rd Bomb Group will:

- (1) Maintain twenty-seven A-20s C/S DOUBLING 1, 2, 3, for ground support. Bombload: 250# parademos. Two A/C in each squadron carry M-10 Napalm on wing. Other loading 250# demos on wing.

FRAGMENTARY FIELD ORDER 99, 9 April 1945.

3. d. The 3rd Bomb Group will:

- (1) Maintain twenty-seven A-20s C/S DOUBLING 1, 2, and 3 for ground support. Bombload: 250# parademos. Two A/C in each squadron carry M-10 tank Napalm on wing. Other loading 250# demos.

FRAGMENTARY FIELD ORDER 100, 10 April 1945.

3. d. The 3rd Group will:

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- (1) Maintain twenty-seven A-20s C/S DOUBLING 1, 2, 3, on alert for ground support. Bombload: 250# parademos. Two A/C in each squadron carry M-10 Napalm tank on wing; other loading 250# demos on wing.

FRAGMENTARY FIELD ORDER 101, 11 April 1945.

3. d. The 3rd Bomb Group will:

- (1) Maintain twenty-four (24) C/S DOUBLING 1, 2, 3, and 4 on alert for ground support. Bombload: 250# parademos, two A/C in each flight carry M-10 napalm tanks on wing; others loading 250# demos on wing.

FRAGMENTARY FIELD ORDER 102, 12 April 1945.

3. d. The 3rd Bomb Group will:

- (1) Maintain twenty-seven A-20s C/S DOUBLING 1, 2, 3, 4, on alert for ground support. Bombload: 250# parademos, two A/C in each flight carry M-10 Napalm tanks on wings, others loading 250# demos on wing.

FRAGMENTARY FIELD ORDER 103, 13 April 1945.

3. d. The 3rd Bomb Group will:

- (1) Maintain twenty-seven A-20s C/S DOUBLING 1,2,3,4. on alert for ground support. Bombload: 250# parademos, two A/C in each flight carry M-10 Napalm tanks on wings, other loading 250# demos on wings.

FRAGMENTARY FIELD ORDER 104, 14 April 1945.

3. d. The 3rd Attack Group will:

- (1) Maintain twenty-seven A-20s C/S DOUBLING 1,2,3,4, on alert for ground support. Bombload: 250# parademos, two A/C in each flight carry M-10 napalm tanks on wings, other loading 250# demos on wings.

FRAGMENTARY FIELD ORDER 105, 15 April 1945.

3. d. The 3rd Bomb Group will:

- (1) Maintain twenty seven A-20s C/S DOUBLING 1,2,3,4, for ground support. Same as above.

FRAGMENTARY FIELD ORDER 106, 16 April 1945.

- (1) Same as above.

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FRAGMENTARY FIELD ORDER 107, 17 April 1945.

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FRAGMENTARY FIELD ORDER 108, 18 April 1945.

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FRAGMENTARY FIELD ORDER 109, 19 April 1945.

(1) Same as above.

FRAGMENTARY FIELD ORDER 110, 20 April 1945.

(1) Same as above.

FRAGMENTARY FIELD ORDER 111, 21 April 1945.

3. d. The 3rd Group will:

(1) Maintain twenty-seven A-20s on alert for ground support.
Bombload: 250# parademos, loading 250# demos in wing.

FRAGMENTARY FIELD ORDER 112, 22 April 1945.

(1) Same as above.

FRAGMENTARY FIELD ORDER 113, 23 April 1945.

3. d. The 3rd Bomb Group will:

(1) Maintain eighteen A-20s on alert for ground support.
Bombload: 250# parademos, loading 250# demos on wings.

FRAGMENTARY FIELD ORDER 114, 24 April 1945.

(1) Same as above.

FRAGMENTARY FIELD ORDER 115, 25 April 1945.

3. d. The 3rd Bomb Group will:

(1) Maintain twenty-seven A-20s C/S DOUBLING on alert for ground support missions. Bombload: 250# parademos loading 250# demos on wings.

FRAGMENTARY FIELD ORDER 116, 26 April 1945.

(1) Same as above.

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FRAGMENTARY FIELD ORDER 117, 27 April 1945.

(1) Same as above.

FRAGMENTARY FIELD ORDER 118, 28 April 1945.

(1) Same as above.

FRAGMENTARY FIELD ORDER 119, 29 April 1945.

(1) Same as above.

FRAGMENTARY FIELD ORDER 120, 30 April 1945.

(1) Same as above.

BY ORDER OF COLONEL MORGAN:

A. J. BECK,
Lt. Col., Air Corps,
A. C. of S., A-3.

OFFICIAL:

s/t/ C. W. McDONALD,
Captain, Air Corps,
Assistant, A-3.

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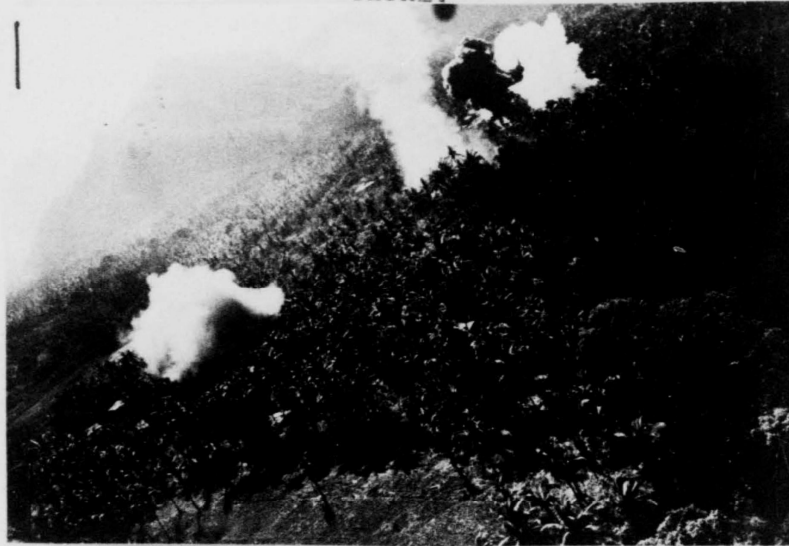
Robert P. Smith
ROBERT P. SMITH,
1st Lt., Air Corps,
Historian.

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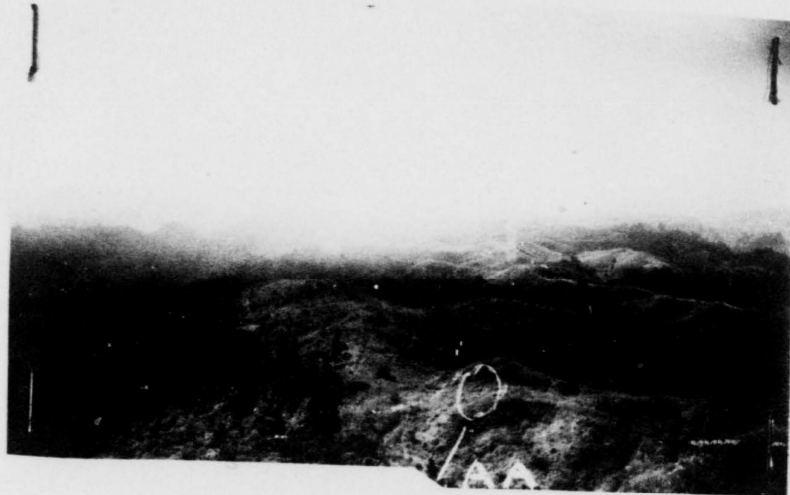
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Sulac Village, Batangas area, Luzon, P.I.
8 April 1945.



Jap medium A/A positions between Negritos
and Hill No. 3155, Negros Island, P.I.
8 April 1945.

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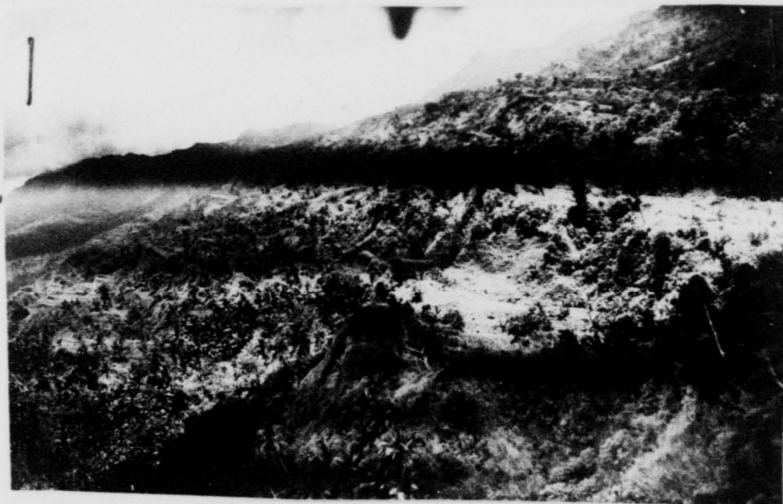


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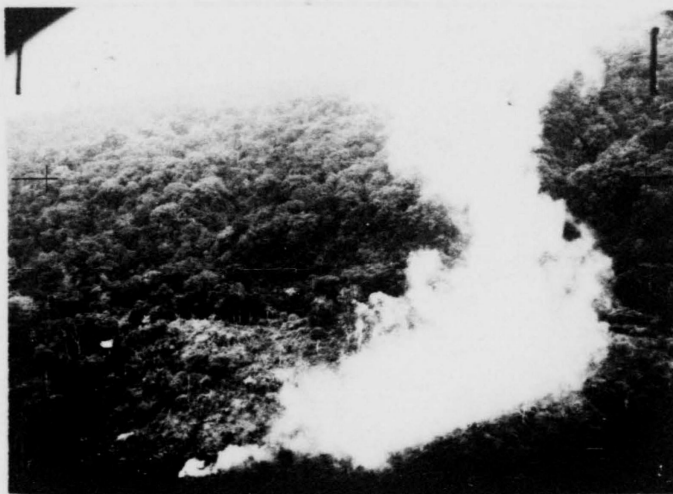


Hill #3155, Negros Island, P.I.
19 April 1946.

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Ground support near Curry in the Legaspi
area of Luzon, P.I. 20 April 1945.



Ground support, Hill #3185, Negros Island, P.I.
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Camilig Hill, Legaspi area, Luzon, P.I.
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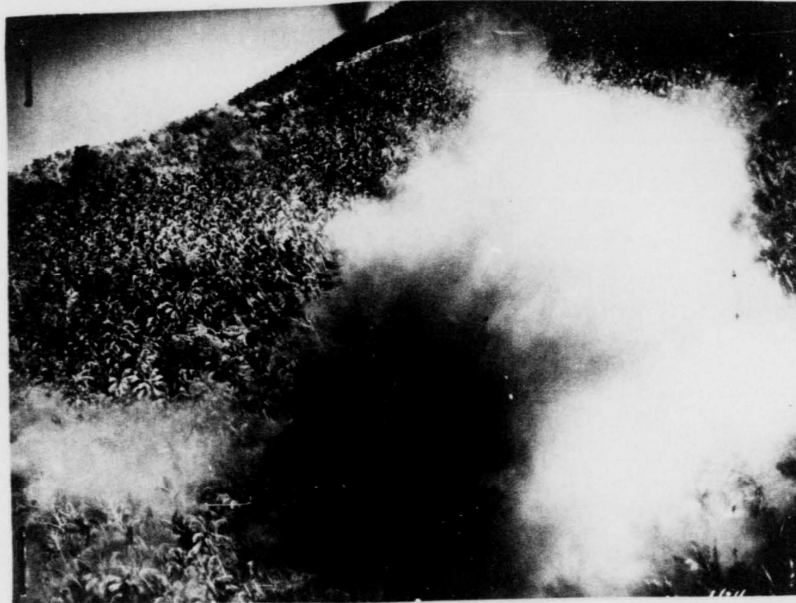
Siniloan, northeast of Laguna De Bay, Luzon, P.I.
29 April 1945



Malepuno Hills.
25 April 1945

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Bunsulan Hills, Patangas area, Luzon, P.I.
30 April 1945

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HEADQUARTERS
FIFTH AIR FORCE
APO 710

23 April 1945

AG 201.22

SUBJECT: Commendation.

TO : All Fifth Air Force Unit Commanders.

The following paraphrased message has been received by the Commanding General, Far East Air Forces from Commander in Chief Army Forces in the Pacific:

"TO YOURSELF AND TO ALL OFFICERS AND MEN INVOLVED PLEASE ACCEPT HEARTFELT COMMENDATION FOR THE BRILLIANT EXECUTION OF VISAYAN CAMPAIGN. IT IS A MODEL OF WHAT CAN BE ACCOMPLISHED IN RAPID EXPLOITATION BY A LIGHT BUT AGGRESSIVE COMMAND. MACARTHUR "

BY COMMAND OF MAJOR GENERAL WHITEHEAD:

O C VAN HOOSEN
Lt Col ASD
Maj Gen

THIS IS A TRUE EXACT COPY:

Donald Macomber
DONALD MACOMBER JR.,
Captain, Air Corps.

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FROM: CG 11 A/B Div.

TO : CG XIV Corps. Attn: G-3.

AIR: Three close support missions were flown in the Bulac (07.6-01.8) area at 0900, 0930 and 1000. Each flight consisted of nine A-20s carrying 6 x 250 lb parademos and 2 tanks of napalm each. Ground observer who moved into the area at the end of the strikes observed that the results were excellent. 75% of Bulac was leveled. Under the buildings had been Jap emplacements. Approximately 15 trucks were found destroyed by the bombs and napalm. In addition, at least one 20 MM gun and one 70 MM howitzer were also destroyed. Other advantages of the napalm to the infantry was: it burned off camouflage from emplacements; the area which has been mined heavily with bombs and booby trapped extensively was cleared by the strike; the napalm made the trenches and holes untenable for the Japs and the evaluated Jap casualties from the strike cannot definitely be ascertained because only pieces of charred bodies were found in the target area.

FLANAGAN
Capt FA
Div Air C

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Donald Macomber Jr.
DONALD MACOMBER, JR.,
Captain, Air Corps.

See Mission No. 9CE-5, 8 April 1945, Combat Narrative page 43.

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HEADQUARTERS
FIFTH AIR FORCE
APO 710

18 April, 1945.

AG 201.22

SUBJECT: Commendation.

TO : Commanding General, V Bomber Command, APO 710.

1. The V Bomber Command is especially commended for its fine performance during the extensive operations against shipping and enemy air forces for the past thirty (30) days. Despite long range missions with all groups and extensive battle damage from enemy anti-aircraft, all units have placed more than normal effort over the target daily.

2. The ability to deliver in an emergency is the true measure of efficiency of any combat unit. The record which these groups have made during the past thirty days is a cause for great pride in their achievement on the part of all officers and men of the Fifth Air Force.

3. Request that the above be brought to the attention of the units of your command.

/s/ Ennis C Whitehead
/t/ ENNIS C. WHITEHEAD,
Major General, USA,
Commanding.

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HEADQUARTERS, V BOMBER COMMAND, APO 710, 19 April, 1945.

TO: All units of this Command.

Your achievements during the past thirty day period, as evidenced by the foregoing commendation, have been a source of great gratification to the undersigned. Please convey my personal appreciation and commendation to all your personnel for their magnificent performance during this period of operations.

THIS IS A TRUE EXACT COPY:

Donald Macomber Jr.
DONALD MACOMBER, JR.,
Captain, Air Corps.

J. V. CRABB,
Brig. General, USA,
Commanding.

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OPERATIONAL PRIORITY CONFIDENTIAL

TO: THREE NOUGHT EIGHT BOMB WING ONE THREE ONE NOUGHT BOMB WING

PASS TO LT. COLONEL BICK ELLIS

FROM COMBACOM FIVE SIGNED BURNSIDE

CITE: BAKER CHARLIE NOUGHT SIX NINE NINE DOU

CONGRATULATIONS PD WE ARE PROUD TO KNOW WE CAN STILL COUNT

ON THE THIRD PD

TO ALL SQUADRONS

THIS IS A TRUE COPY:

Donald Macomber Jr.
DONALD MACOMBER, JR.,
Captain, Air Corps.

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HEADQUARTERS
V BOMBER COMLAND
Office of the Commanding General
APO 710

JVC/b

20 April, 1945.

SUBJECT: Message of Congratulations.

TO : Commanding Officer, 3rd Bombardment Group, APO 321.
Commanding Officer, 8th Bombardment Squadron, APO 321.
Commanding Officer, 89th Bombardment Squadron, APO 321.
Commanding Officer, 90th Bombardment Squadron, APO 321.

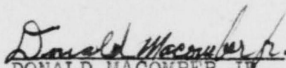
1. The following radio received from Commanding General, 40th Division, is quote for your information:

"BRUSH SENDS CONGRATULATIONS ON AIR SUPPORT ON NEGROS TODAY 18 APRIL, WAS EXCELLENT. ATTACKS WERE WELL COVERED BY BOMBING AND STRAFING. THE SKILL AND COURAGE OF A-20 PILOTS LEAVES NOTHING TO BE DESIRED."

2. The undersigned wishes to add his personal congratulations to the above message. Your missions in direct support of Allied ground forces have always been executed in such a manner as to bring much credit to your group, to this Command, and to the Fifth Air Force as a whole. All personnel of this Command take great pride in your accomplishments.

J. V. CRABB,
Brig. General, USA,
Commanding.

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DONALD MACOMBER JR.,
Captain, Air Corps.

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TO: THIRTEENTH AF REF TO 310 BOMB WING, 3RD BOMB GROUP
FROM: CG 40TH DIVISION (NEGROS)

CONGRATULATION ON AIR SUPPORT 18 APRIL. TARGET WELL COVERED
BY BOMBING AND STRAFING. SKILL AND COURAGE OF A-20 PILOTS
LEAVES NOTHING TO BE DESIRED PD

(BY TELEPHONE FROM 310 BW)

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GENERAL ORDERS)
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HEADQUARTERS
FAR EAST AIR FORCES
APO 925 - 17 April 1945

Section
AIR MEDAL--Awards..... I

* * *
By direction of the President, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9158, 11 May 1942 (Bulletin 25, WD, 1942), as amended by Executive Order No. 9242-A, 11 September 1942 (Bulletin 49, WD, 1942), an Air Medal is awarded by the Commanding General, Far East Air Forces, to the following named officers and enlisted men:

* * *
Staff Sergeant CARL A. CHILDERS, (39399696), Air Corps, United States Army. For operational flight missions from 27 May 1944 to 18 February 1945. Home address: Mrs. Mary E. Childers (Mother), 305 Main St., Nevada City, Calif.

* * *
Staff Sergeant WALTER E. WILSON, (39295331), Air Corps, United States Army. For operational flight missions from 31 March 1945 to 12 February 1945. Home address: Mrs. Wilma A. Wilson (Mother), 2558 E. Sabina St., Los Angeles, Calif.

The citation is as follows:

For meritorious achievement while participating in sustained operational flight missions in the Southwest Pacific Area, during which hostile contact was probable and expected. These operations consisted of bombing missions against enemy airdromes and installations and attacks on enemy naval vessels and shipping. The courage and devotion to duty displayed during these flights are worthy of commendation.

* * *
GEORGE C. KEVILY,
General, United States Army,
Commanding.

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FAR EAST AIR FORCES
APO 925 - 18 April 1945

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III. AIR MEDAL (OAK-LEAF CLUSTER).

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By direction of the President, in addition to the Air Medal awarded to First Lieutenant GEORGE PROCHOROFF by the Commanding General, Far East Air Forces, as published in Section I, General Orders No. 203, Headquarters, Far East Air Forces, 20 September 1944, a Bronze Oak-Leaf Cluster is awarded to him by the Commanding General, Far East Air Forces, under the provisions of Executive Order No. 9158, 11 May 1942, (Bulletin 25, WD, 1942), as amended by Executive Order No. 9242-A, 11 September 1942 (Bulletin 49, WD, 1942). The citation is as follows:

First Lieutenant GEORGE PROCHOROFF, (0747889), Air Corps, United States Army. For meritorious achievement while participating in sustained operational flight missions in the Southwest Pacific Area from 6 July 1944 to 27 February 1945, during which hostile contact was probable and expected. These operations consisted of bombing missions against enemy air-dromes and installations and attacks on enemy naval vessels and shipping. The courage and devotion to duty displayed by Lieutenant Prochoroff during these flights are worthy of commendation.
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6. Announcement is made of the temp promotion of the following-named off to the gr indicated in the AUS with rank from date of this order:

2D LT TO 1ST LT

TYRE H. DINWIDDIE, Jr. 0869480 AC	EDWIN R. IVES 01311557 Inf
ALFRED A. DOMLAIER 01108626 CE	ANDREW B. JACKSON 0761108 AC
MELVIN E. DRANE, Jr. 0717636 AC	LEE A. JAY 0880568 AC
EDWARD W. DRECHSEL 01039319 CE	MARTIN K. JOHNSON 01646289 CE
ROBERT W. DROSTE 0869398 AC	EDWARD B. JOSEPH 0768965 AC
GERALD L. DUNNING 01181234 Inf	RUDELPH L. KAPITAN 01639234 Sig C
GEORGE V. EBBECKE 01303074 Inf	THOMAS KAVANACH 01172104 FA
WILLIAM O. EDEN 0870233 AC	THOMAS V. KESHAN 01054282 CAC
CHARLES D. EHINGER 0508430 Sig C	ROBERT D. KENNAN 01535643 CE
EDWARD H. EISENBREY 02037256 Ord Dept	JAMES P. KERR, Jr. 01181324 FA
LUCIEN E. ELLIOTT 01109912 CE	ARNOLD W. KILGREN 01106873 CE
ROBERT G. FARMER 01304053 Inf	KEITH KINGSBURY 0712589 AC
RICHARD C. FARVER 0697407 AC	JOHN J. KINNEY 0868067 AC
JOHN M. FAUSER 01642850 Sig C	FRANCIS H. KIRKPATRICK 01308966 Sig C
MARVIN L. FEINSTEIN 01645522 Sig C	ALEXANDER P. KORGOL 01302674 Inf
CHARLES P. FINNERTY, Jr. 01639030 Sig C	ROBERT F. KOSTENBAUDER 01183109 FA
GEORGE B. FOY 0806249 AC	JOHN G. KRESGE 01645733 Sig C
PAUL J. GADBOIS 01644344 Sig C	THOMAS C. KUEBRICH 0869857 AC
DONALD L. GARBARINO 0777063 AC	WARREN H. KUNSLAN 0709930 AC
EDWIN GEORGE 0552541 AC	ALFRED J. LACAZETTE 01184686 FA
EMANUEL GERCIETTA 01183858 FA	WILLIAM H. LANGDON 01177081 FA
FABER GOLAY 0861972 AC	JOSEPH A. LAPACHET 0746728 AC
SIDNEY GORDON 02047338 MAC	CHARLES A. LAWRENCE 01175486 FA
RALPH B. GREER 01181894 FA	LEN LAYNE 01053685 CAC
WILLIAM D. GROSS 0825621 AC	ALBERT L. LEFLER 0700137 AC
ROBERT F. HAGLUND 0110525 CE	WILLIAM W. LEITCH 0865539 AC
GEORGE W. HANSON 0801860 AC	GEORGE LIPCHAK 0860387 AC
DONALD HARRIS 01318429 Inf	DONALD L. LIPPOLD 01307986 Inf
MURRAY R. HARRIS 0759927 AC	SAMUEL H. LOPEZ 01109459 CE
KENNETH H. HEIL 0761092 AC	FRANK W. LUX 01182178 FA
EARL Y. HELLER 01183877 FA	THOMAS H. MacDONALD 0586790 AC
DONALD C. HENNESSEY 01104204 CE	ROBERT W. MAKER 0708882 AC
FRANK L. HESS 05021188 Sig C	NATHANIEL D. MALCOLM 01038425 CE
WALTER W. HLADKY 01037536 CWS	EDWIN H. MARDEN 0870011 AC
GEORGE J. HODGSON 01177001 FA	JOHN R. MARTIN 0719706 AC
CHARLES E. HOFFMAN 01116384 CE	ROBERT B. MAUDLIN 01593706 CAC
HARRY L. HOFFNER 0869853 AC	WILLIAM F. McCAUGHEY 0516621 FA
CHARLES W. HOLLAND 01294668 Inf	DEPSTER S. McClANATHAN 0760509 AC
CALVIN E. HONES 0583844 AC	ROBERT A. McCONNAGHEY, Jr. 02057169 AC
WILLIAM F. HONSAL 0704428 AC	ROBERT J. McCoy, Jr. 0769305 AC
PAUL E. HOPKINS 01594242 CAC	THOMAS L. McCoy, Jr. 0765025 AC
EDWARD J. HUGHES 01112770 CE	ARTHUR J. McGRANE 02057085 AC
WILLIAM E. HUTSON, Jr. 01062683 CAC	GEORGE E. HELLING 0865564 AC

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EARL F. MICHAELS 01310288 Inf	ANTHONY B. SEREANNA 01103968 FA
HAROLD MICHAELS 02049026 MAC	JEFF SHATSOFF 01636637 Sig C
WAYNE P. MISEMER 01105679 CE	EDWARD F. SHEBECK 01311692 Inf
DOMINIC MOGLVERO 0584542 AC	HERVIN E. SHERIFF 02060110 AC
HUBERT H. MORMAN 0873949 AC	IRVING SILVERHART 01018423 Cav
WALTER A. MONKE 02049033 MAC	STANTON W. SIMMS 01640952 Sig C
FOREST E. MONTGOMERY 0866504 AC	CLIFFORD L. SISSON 0764810 AC
OWEN H. MOORE 0758037 AC	RUDOLPH SMITH 01174715 FA
GEORGE I. MORDECAI 0765514 AC	BYRON E. SNYDER 0711260 AC
EDWARD P. MORRIS, Jr. 01292043 Sig C	JOHN F. SOLGION 0709842 AC
JACK C. MOUTH 0870016 AC	JOHN E. STEI 01639692 Sig C
DANIEL A. MULLARKEY 0765298 AC	THADDEUS J. STETZ 02036936 FA
WILLIAM J. MULVIHILL 01646443 Sig C	JAMES E. STEVENS 01315233 Inf
GEORGE W. NELSON 01313782 CE	AUGUSTUS T. STEWART 01644125 AC
JESSE L. NOE, Jr. 01116407 CE	ERNEST R. STOELTZING 02049113 MAC
ROB R. NORTON 02036205 AC	CHARLES W. STUKAS 0755454 AC
CHESTER H. OLSON 01174092 FA	ROBERT C. STYLES 0708958 AC
EDWARD C. ONOSKO 01648637 Sig C	MICHAEL J. SULLIVAN 01304141 Inf
MILAN J. ORAVETZ 01305637 Inf	WALTER J. SZCZUR 01319679 Inf
GEORGE W. O'REILLY 01113361 CE	WINFRED A. TENNILL 01686163 MAC
ANTHONY J. PAHULA 01054746 CAC	EDWARD W. THOMAS 01300415 Inf
THOMAS J. PATROTT 01181401 FA	KARL N. THOMAS 0782404 AC
PAUL H. PEELJUELLER 02047776 MAC	THOMAS C. TIGHE 01056256 CAC
GEORGE D. PENNOYER 01686221 Inf	LOUIS TOBIN 01309443 Inf
GEORGE PERNOKAS 01037671 CE	BOB B. WILLAN 02036937 FA
ROBERT L. PETERS 0762490 AC	HOWARD G. WANDS 0692585 AC
JENS J. PETERSEN 0485475 Sig C	MARTIN W. WARRING, Jr. 0867063 AC
NICHOLSON L. PINE 01174681 FA	ROBERT P. WARRINGTON 01059095 CAC
ROBERT T. PLOEMAN 0553974 AC	DANIEL E. WATSON 01182441 FA
ROBERT T. POSTHULUS 01110728 CE	JOSEPH L. WATSON 02046856 MAC
LEO R. QUENNEVILLE 0865597 AC	ORVAL L. WATSON 01109734 CE
GLENN A. RANDOLPH 0760910 AC	KENNETH E. WEBER 0583605 AC
JEREMIAH J. REIGES, Jr. 0764457 AC	WILLIAM R. WEEKS, II 01055184 CAC
PAUL S. RICHARDSON 01646533 Sig C	JOSEPH P. WENDER 01102535 CE
GEORGE W. ROBERTSON 01055711 CAC	ROBERT T. WHITE 01115152 CE
WARNE L. ROSCOE 01104375 CE	CLAVIS W. WILLIAMS, Jr. 0869442 AC
WILLIAM ROTHMAN 02048764 MAC	WILBUR J. WILLIAMS 011017834 Cav
ANDREW A. RUDA 0510328 Sig C	GEORGE W. WILLIFORD 0868944 AC
GEORGE T. RUDKIN 0874022 AC	CLARENCE H. WILSON, Jr. 02037111 Inf
CONNOR F. RYAN 01061531 CAC	HARRY H. WILSON, Jr. 01054449 CAC
FRED J. SALVATORIELLO 01180327 FA	MERRION D. WILSON 01109116 CE
WILLIAM H. SANDERS 01317992 Inf	TRANSFORD B. WILSON 0860750 AC
BERNARD A. SCHOCH 01036719 CE	WILLIAM T. WINTER 0869881 AC
JOSEPH F. SCHULTZ 02037018 Ord Dept	CHARLES A. WOLF 0711523 AC
DONALD C. SCHUTTER 0718774 AC	CHARLES H. WOODWARD, Jr. 0586485 AC
SIGMUND SCHUMBER 01556795 Ord Dept	JAMES H. WOOLDRIDGE 0585902 AC
JAMES J. SCOTT, Jr. 01322843 Inf	CARL A. WORLEY 0824815 AC
HOWARD W. SEMTON 0681817 AC	ARCHIE L. YOUNG 0721695 AC
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1. Announcement is made of the temp promotion of the following-named off to the gr indicated in the AUS with rank from date of this order:

CAPT TO MAJ

LEONARD B. ALLEN 0339628 AC	GERALD P. ROCK 0902159 AC
MAX R. CAREY 0417004 AC	SIDNEY H. SHAPIRO 0354317 MC
SAMUEL E. CARPENTER 0350984 OMC	CLYDE M. SHUMAKER 0510454 TC
EDWIN R. KIRK 0378675 TC	VICTOR E. SKOV 0666448 AC
CARL N. LINDQUIST 0501781 MC	DEWEY H. STEFFENHAGEN 0490010 MC
EMIL H. MUELLER 01576420 OMC	BOBBY R. TAYLOR 0437282 AC
ALVIN E. RAETTIG 0391342 Ord Dept	

1ST LT TO CAPT

LOUIS B. BASTEN II 02034382 TC	FRANCIS H. MABERRY 0920748 CE
THEODORE J. BOLLER 0398261 Sn C	ROBERT J. MATHIESON, Jr. 0805315 AC
ROBERT T. BOOSE 01640245 Sig C	J. HILTON McGEE 01284178 Inf
RICHARD W. BOYD 0664954 AC	CONRAD E. NELSON 01648066 Sig C
ROSCOE A. BOYER 0856663 AC	WILLIAM A. OLSON 0915745 AC
JOSEPH E. BRADY, Jr. 0855976 AC	HOWARD G. RYDER 0561965 AC
CARLISLE BURNS 0921160 TC	GEORGE L. SCHAFER 0865064 AC
ROBERT L. CHOLLAR 01785451 DC	PHILIP G. SMITH 01100773 CE
STEVE A. DEZULOVICH 01554351 Ord Dept	HAROLD C. SPIEKERMANN 01052977 AC
WILLIAM F. GRADY 01726638 MC	VIRGIL D. STEPHENS 0542490 Ch
MARTIN GROSSMAN 01548424 Ord Dept	ARTHUR H. SWENEY, Jr. 0446689 Ord Dept
KARL KENLINE 0509514 JAGD	THOMAS C. WATKINS 0799108 AC
JOE M. KIRKHAM 0560006 AC	WILLIAM D. WINCHESTER 01109760 CE
WILLIAM T. KRUGLAK 0505733 CUS	JOSEPH R. WOOD 0579712 AC
JOHN B. LEE 01102348 CE	GORDON L. YOUNG 01547513 IMC

2D LT TO 1ST LT

FLOYD W. ALLEN 01053454 CAC	JOHN DULKA 01053566 CAC
ERNEST J. ALBORT 0763024 AC	WILLIAM H. DUNN, Jr. 0581610 AC
ERIC H. ANDREWS 02035830 CAC	GOTTLIEB J. DUTT 0709535 AC
WILLARD D. ARNQUIST 01547870 MAC	HAROLD B. DYE 02036882 TC
HERMAN P. BEAVER 02036531 Sig C	MEREDITH H. ELLEN 01051550 CAC
JEANETTE A. BEDFORD N743437 ANC	ALVIN R. ERVIN, Jr. 01558264 Ord Dept
EDGAR F. BEHRENS 01182511 FA	MARYBELLE H. FILER N784101 ANC
KEITH E. BILLINGS 01052630 CAC	JOHN J. FITZGERALD 0763543 AC
DOROTHEA H. BOGER N761210 ANC	ROBERT O. FLETCHER 0821473 AC
WALTER P. BOWMAN 0576939 AC	FRANK E. FOCHEK 01593577 AC
GERALD A. BRIGHT 0766410 AC	JAMES K. FOSTER 0581683 AC
TROY C. BRYANT 0762244 AC	WARREN R. FOWLER 0763146 AC
JAMES A. CARTER, Jr. 0766422 AC	STAMATES I. FRANGOULIS 0509296 Sig C
KENNETH B. CLARK 0756492 AC	JEROME L. GARRETT 0523055 CE
ISHMAEL L. CONLEY 0763079 AC	ROBERT W. GOODWIN 0763560 AC
DON R. CURL 0767136 AC	REX L. GRIBBLE 0767198 AC
CHARLES S. DAVIS 01181578 FA	ANNA GURIN N720934 ANC
WILLIAM B. DEARBORN 01641222 Sig C	HUGH P. HALL 0822705 AC
CHARLES C. DECKAS 0710902 AC	ARDENAL HANEY 01300028 Inf
STANLEY C. DEEN 0713997 AC	MELVIN W. HANISCH 0762321 AC
NICHOLAS T. DeLEOLEOS 01558133 Ord Dept	CHARLES E. HARTFIELD 0763182 AC
JAMES J. DOWDEN 01305024 Inf	EDWARD S. HEALY 01059143 TC

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ROBERT A. HENNING 0761093 AC	JOSEPH L. PACKARD 01055930 CAC
WALLACE S. HICKOK 0763816 AC	LOUIS R. PARUBSKY 02036329 QMC
KENNETH L. HINGST 01182875 FA	ABRAHAM T. POLLACK 01596772 QMC
LEE H. HIRSCH, Jr. 0748649 AC	GLADYS P. POTTER N743529 ANC
DAN W. HOLLADAY 0753517 AC	EVERETT E. RANKIN 0762407 AC
JAMES B. HOVIK 0763609 AC	CLETUS L. REYHANN 0710173 AC
RICHARD L. HOWELL 02036963 MAC	GARTH A. RICKS 0770415 AC
WESLEY M. JACOB, Jr. 01053651 CAC	FOSTER M. ROBERTSON 0710177 AC
WILLIAM A. KASPUTIS 0823384 AC	JOHN S. ROBINSON 0710178 AC
GRACE C. KAZDAIEROWSKI N761195 ANC	ANNE M. ROGERS N742487 ANC
BLEECKER KING 0583883 AC	MERTON B. ROOT 0744760 AC
GORDON KING 0765258 AC	RUSSELL S. ROSHON 01642523 Sig C
ROBERT J. KINGHORN 0578188 AC	EUGENE H. SCHNEIDER 01947167 TC
FELIX R. KIRKILAS 01181327 FA	FRANCIS A. SEARLE 0766724 AC
ROBERT L. KLEBEDSON 0769857 AC	ARTHUR R. SEIDLER 0765109 AC
ARTHUR J. KOBLE 0696378 AC	MILTON D. SHAPIRO 01038838 CWS
ELIZABETH H. LAROCHELLE L100006 WAC	JOHN W. SHOELAKER 0782386 AC
JACK C. LEWIS, Jr. 0763246 AC	THOMAS SHOELAKER 0527142 Sig C
NORMAN H. LUTHER 01641527 Sig C	TROY B. SMITH 0768271 AC
BERTHAM L. MAJOR 0865235 AC	ELLEN H. SPEARS N760795 ANC
MILTON O. MANN 0823408 AC	GEORGE M. SPRUILL, Jr. 0763385 AC
HOWARD W. MARSH, Jr. 01051273 CAC	HOWARD F. STROM 0710199 AC
STANLEY J. MARWIL 0519235 FA	ARTHUR P. TERRY 0762429 AC
JOHN E. MATHIS 01547054 MAC	RUBY G. TORNERON L801815 WAC
JAMES W. McCRARY III 0767314 AC	NELLIE R. TUBELIS N743363 ANC
HOLDEN K. McELROY 0761992 AC	DOUGLAS J. T. VALOIS 01647767 Sig C
ROBERT C. McGIFFERT 0535345 AUS	FLOYD E. VAUGHAN 0772599 AC
CLEATIS A. McPHERSON N735079 ANC	TONI P. VICK 0746469 AC
HARROLD E. MOBERTLY 01167992 AC	GLEN M. WALSH 02046851 MAC
NORMAN E. MOELLER 0763296 AC	LEWIS W. WHITTER 0581347 AC
CHARLES L. MULLEN 01947041 TC	DAVID W. WICKS 0762438 AC
GUY J. D. MYRAND 0764401 AC	SANFORD R. WILLFORD 0768353 AC
CARL R. NELSON 02036964 MAC	ISIDORE H. WLODANER 02036801 AC
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 TDN The travel directed is necessary in the military service.
 EWM Travel directed is necessary for performance of emergency war mission.
 TCNT The Transportation Corps will furnish the necessary transportation.
 CGMD And thence to such other places as the Commanding General may direct.
 OCWR and on completion of this temporary duty will return to proper station.
 IFRQ It being impracticable for the Government to furnish rations or quarters in kind.
 MALR Monetary allowances in lieu of rations as prescribed by.
 DE72 Duties being exceptional a delay in excess of 72 hours is authorized.
 MALRQ Monetary allowances in lieu of rations and quarters as prescribed by.

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1. Under auth of FEAF Radio AX 74474, Subject: Rotation of Personnel, the following named O & EM, personnel of the April 45 rotation quota are held for asgmt & by w/ orgn indicated, APO indicated, and are attached unassigned to Rotation Detachment Case "K" APO 72, and are further placed on TD w/ the 93rd Repl Bn APO 72, eff 12 April 45 and WP by mil acft o/a 12 April 45 fr APO indicated to APO 72, reporting on arrival thereto to the CO to await further orders and transportation to the United States. Complete and accurate records will accompany subject personnel in accordance w/ par 22, USAFFE Cir 81, dtd 21 Sept 44. O & EM will be furn sufficient clothing, blankets and mess gear before leaving their respective units. TDN TCNT.

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LT COL HERBERT R. IMBT 0364032 2120 CAPT EMERSON J. OLEEN 0393461 2110

HQ SQ V BOMBER COMMAND APO 710

T Sgt Bruno A. Barbieri 33095511 631 Sgt Thomas J. Sosinsky 20649907 060

405TH SIGNAL CO (AVN) APO 710

M Sgt	Thomas J. Settle	18006671	649 T 5	Raymond Filicichl	32240177	237
T Sgt	Herschel J. Tarver	18061626	261 T 5	Antonio J. Baril ne	31068299	014
T 4	Robert A. Cook	19067199	055 T 5	Jesse G. Holmes	18061605	237
T 4	Franklin W. Kiefer	35268554	766 T 5	Frank J. Mercia	32241445	805
T 4	Victor R. Lukken	32213856	650 T 5	Stanislaw S. Rysz	31068976	055
T 4	Robert E. McD nald	13058327	014 Pfc	James R. Barrett	32218616	050
T 4	Albert G. Norris	39087144	667			

3RD BOMB GROUP APO 321

1st Sgt	John J. Marshall	15072692	870 S Sgt	William O. Martinez	39088106	911
T Sgt	Wilfred L. Dustman	17029864	542 S Sgt	George E. Sheridan	34155196	750
T Sgt	Charles E. Stetz	15073190	766 Sgt	Robert E. Burnette	14063915	405
T Sgt	Anton W. Senger	37160422	821 Sgt	Otha R. Perry	18040335	824
S Sgt	Stephen L. Bresko	7022427	824 Sgt	Meredith D. Schulke	6856569	060
S Sgt	James J. Drabic	13030294	620 Sgt	William P. Shull	14070225	502
S Sgt	Ferrell A. Hall	19072961	237 Sgt	Wilson Smith	35274254	060
S Sgt	Kenneth W. Keith	7020752	870 Sgt	Louis W. Vatta	13046420	750
S Sgt	Myer Lurey	14072665	750 Cpl	Joseph DeNunno	11024375	945
S Sgt	Troy L. Goodman	18061791	750 Cpl	George H. Lowe	18074449	405

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Cpl	Colen J. Parker	19055037	620 Pvt	Clyde W. Conway Jr	7000501	747
Cpl	Peter Q. Wilshire	15088663	747 Pvt	Thomas H. Skelton	18061447	590
T 5	Cecil L. Johnson	37010713	060			

22ND BOMB GROUP APO 74

MAJOR WILLIAM K. MILLER	0429297	8502 S Sgt	Joseph F. McCall	13050639	834
CAPT JOHN H. LELAND	02035782	4823 S Sgt	Mike F. Camhi	35255650	502
M Sgt Anthony J. Barbone	13005419	750 S Sgt	Charles H. Krutz	17052447	502
M Sgt Basil Deliman	13005331	750 S Sgt	Lloyd S. Cox	19074877	620
M Sgt Louis C. Gakle	20911152	750 S Sgt	Howard P. McCown	18070058	747
M Sgt Victor N. Osterman	17026064	750 S Sgt	Harold E. Savage	18102323	050
M Sgt Edward B. Greve	17052487	911 Sgt	Allen L. Saxton	19072008	700
M Sgt Fred Dalton	18074502	750 Sgt	Harry R. McNeal	5910752	014
T Sgt Jack K. Bell	17034799	502 Sgt	Hubert I. Goddard Jr	13044044	837
T Sgt Leo T. German	13055637	405 Sgt	Alvin M. Ethridge	13010032	747
T Sgt Robert M. Delson	13046395	747 Sgt	Frank R. Caslaro	12031527	014
T Sgt Charles F. Donnelly	17034813	747 Sgt	Charles F. Cole	13048299	060
S Sgt Benito De La Rosa	18058582	590 Sgt	Raymond A. Haus	37133196	405
S Sgt Arthur M. Dize	13047422	060 Sgt	Lloyd E. Patterson	18040500	824
S Sgt Gerald D. Patterson	18102163	625 Sgt	Donald C. Mahan	17035032	014
S Sgt Douglas P. Short	18037490	911 Cpl	Ted R. Church	13015943	657
S Sgt Lloyd Q. Slatten	17027053	620			

38TH BOMB GROUP APO 70

1st Sgt Mahlon C. Kern	6844984	502 S Sgt	Michael N. Pendola	32357381	756
M Sgt Joseph L. Workman	33080200	542 S Sgt	Walton R. Simpson	14038842	901
T Sgt Mathew C. Gac	20275759	945 S Sgt	Robert O. Whitmore	33076767	821
T Sgt Rudy F. Markovich	7022425	505 Sgt	Edward J. Grieb	13012433	747
T Sgt Robert L. Schedler	14053815	750 Sgt	James W. Small	14054083	901
T Sgt Jesus A. Zavalata	18057396	750 Sgt	Charles A. Weber	16035501	911
S Sgt Joe H. Daniel	14053805	821 T 5	James Spicer Jr	15087670	345
S Sgt Dean A. Gimple	17030366	862 Pfc	Elwood F. Claytor	13014516	590
S Sgt George C. Hammack Jr	14053723	078 Pvt	Virgil F. McDaniel	34083084	756

50TH BOMB GROUP APO 74

S Sgt Howard B. Nilsen	19083872	805 Sgt	Arthur G. Howe	33159941	620
S Sgt Jack V. Trainor	36161758	911 Sgt	William T. Snipes	14064076	747
S Sgt Robert A. Cherry	39306682	911 Sgt	William D. Furster	18069439	747
S Sgt Frederick C. Hansen	35325680	911 Cpl	Kenneth M. Morgan	14078491	055

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NUMBER 25)

1. Under the prov of AR 615-5 and upon the recommendation of their CO, the following named EM, 13th Sq, combat crew members, are aptd NCO'S (temp) as indicated:

TO BE APPOINTED STAFF SERGEANT

Sgt LEONARD F FRITZ 38656021	Sgt CHARLES W GILLIM JR 35721707
Sgt RICHARD A HAUFF 37549693	Sgt JOHN M HOYLE 13073412
Sgt GILBERT E JOHNSON 37565393	Sgt RICHARD PANGRATZ 38400674
Sgt JOHN F WILEY 32694627	

TO BE APPOINTED SERGEANT

Cpl LADDIE J MARONIO 33505305	Cpl ROBERT M McNAMARA 35553893
Cpl RALPH L WENKIRK 34732234	Cpl JOHN E SIMPSON 16076218
Cpl JOHN H SWENSON 33455042	Cpl CHARLES W WHITE 35656370

2. Capt WILLIAM J CULLEN 0916116 is aptd FX Off in addition to his other dys, vice 1st Lt SNOWEN STEWART 0250613 reld, per VOCC 3 Apr 45.

3. Under the prov of AR 615-5 and upon the recommendation of his CO, Cpl NORMAN E BERUBE 11081658, 13th Sq, is rd to the gr of Private (for cause).

4. Under the prov of AR 615-5 and upon the recommendation of his CO, Cpl EDWARD W DERISY 42004396, 89th Sq, is aptd Sergeant (temp).

5. Under the prov of AR 615-5 and upon the recommendation of his CO, Sgt GEORGE L FAGAN 37108789, 8th Sq, is rd to the gr of Private (for cause) per VOCC 1 Apr 45.

6. Under the prov of AR 615-5 and upon the recommendation of his CO, Pvt GEORGE L FAGAN 37108789, 8th Sq, is aptd Corporal (temp) per VOCC 1 Apr 45.

7. Under the prov of AR 615-5 and upon the recommendation of his CO, Pfc JOHN C DAWSON 37563920, 8th Sq, is rd to the gr of Private (for cause) per VOCC 1 Apr 45.

8. Having been asgd to the 3d Bomb Gp per par 5, 30th 92, Hq V Bomber Command, dtd 2 Apr 45, CAPT LEO BENJEN 0466941 (MC) (3162) is further asgd to the 90th Sq, eff 5 Mar 45.

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SO# 25, Hq 3d Bomb Gp, dtd 5 Apr 45, cont'd:

9. Having been trfd in gr to the 3d Bomb Gp per par 14, SO# 92, Hq V Bomber Command, dtd 2 Apr 45, the following named EM are further trfd in gr to orgns indicated, eff 16 Mar 45:

8th Sq
 T Sgt JAMES T SUNDAK 34096408 (747) Sgt RAYMOND E JOWERS 34732065 (911)
 Cpl JOHN D LOVE JR 38110690 (747) Pfc JOSEPH P CALDERONE 32609660 (747)

13th Sq
 S Sgt CLARENCE E JORDON 34242270 (911) Cpl JOHN ANDRACHAK JR 35596079 (911)

28th Sq
 Sgt AMERICO BELLANI 39793841 (747) Pvt ROLAND D ALLEN 35921662 (911)
 Pvt GERALD S HAYES 12001106 (911)

10. Having been trfd in gr to the 72 Bomb Gp per par 5, SO# 80, Hq V Bomber Command, dtd 31 Mar 45, Pfc EDWARD R KAWLAY 36583398 is further asgd to Op Hq and placed on DS w/ the 80th Sq, eff 21 Mar 45.

11. Under the prov of AR 615-5 and upon the recommendation of their CO, the following named EM, 13th Sq, are aptd Private First Class:

Pvt CLARENCE L ADKINS 20761275 Pvt LEO SERCHEN 33609443

By order of Lieutenant Colonel ELLIS:

OSAL P. JONES,
 Major, Air Corps,
 Adjutant.

OFFICIAL:

OSAL P. JONES
 OSAL P. JONES,
 Major, Air Corps,
 Adjutant.

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HEADQUARTERS
3D BOMBARDMENT GROUP (L) AAFAPO 321,
7 April 1945.SPECIAL ORDER)
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NUMBER 26)1. Under the prov of AR 615-5 the following named EM, Gp Hq, are
aptd NCO's (temp) and Privates First Class as indicated:TO BE APPOINTED SERGEANT

Cpl EDWARD CROW 7009319 Cpl GEORGE H DERNOEDEN 33600047

TO BE APPOINTED CORPORALPfc JAMES CUNNINGHAM 31260761 Pfc PRESTON B HUNT 17073930
Pfc SAMUEL H LEVINE 12192322 Pfc EDWARD A SCHULER 36744702TO BE APPOINTED PRIVATE FIRST CLASSPvt JAMES J JOHNSON 36353978 Pvt JAMES T OVERTON 14029168
Pvt THEODORE VARVITSOSIS 32768063Under the prov of AR 615-5 and upon the recommendation of their
CO, the following named EM, 8th Sq, are aptd NCO's (temp) and Privates First
Class as indicated:TO BE APPOINTED TECHNICAL SERGEANT

S Sgt FORREST W GATTER 13044373 S Sgt HENRY P HERTL 35273360

TO BE APPOINTED STAFF SERGEANTSgt FRANK J GOLEBIEWSKI 15086477 Sgt WALTER P HEDGE 15086036
Sgt HERMAN T HEGGEN 37271839TO BE APPOINTED SERGEANTCpl CLARENCE E BUTCHER 6571497 Cpl JAMES J FINCH 36673680
Cpl LAWRENCE R FISCHER 36222774 Cpl JOHN E WINTZ 13079440
Cpl VERL A NELSON 39903716TO BE APPOINTED CORPORALPfc DONALD R KEGEL 33358740 Pfc ROBERT C MARION 33439805
Pfc FREDERICK H C MEYERS JR 13089568 Pfc ROBERT P WHEELER 32746998TO BE APPOINTED PRIVATE FIRST CLASSPvt AUGUSTINE F DEPOLE 32192373 Pvt WAYNE E BUTCHER 18192385
Pvt EDWARD W GOLLA 36508083 Pvt MORTON W HOWARD JR 31081487
Pvt WILLIAM J NEIDLINGER 14140629 Pvt JAMES W PHILLIPS 19141963

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SO# 26, Hq 3d Bomb Gp, dtd 7 Apr 45, cont'd:

3. Under the prov of AR 615-5 and upon the recommendation of their CO, the following named EM, 13th Sq, are aptd NCO's (temp) as indicated:

TO BE APPOINTED TECHNICAL SERGEANT

S Sgt JOHN I SATTLER 39169186

TO BE APPOINTED STAFF SERGEANT

Sgt GLEN J MILLER 39012530 Sgt NORMAN H STORLIE 37160379
Sgt ERNEST E WILKINSON 34196393

TO BE APPOINTED SERGEANT

Cpl ARNOLD E ANDERSON 17042680 Cpl HENRY H BLINSTON 36222796
Cpl LAWRENCE W DODD 37193684 Cpl RUNC E FAGERSTROM 36500394
Cpl IRA S PATTON 34341306

TO BE APPOINTED CORPORAL

Pfc RICHARD D LATTWOOD 31239967 Pfc TROY W FURRE 18180308
Pfc JOHN A REINH 36850018 Pfc GEORGE CORRADO 15074905

4. Under the prov of AR 615-5 and upon the recommendation of their CO, the following named EM, 89th Sq, are aptd NCO's (temp) and Privates First Class as indicated:

TO BE APPOINTED TECHNICAL SERGEANT

S Sgt FREDERICK R MARVEL 19070261 S Sgt ASCENSION M MATA 18061657

TO BE APPOINTED STAFF SERGEANT

Sgt WILLIAM O BOLES 35257152 Sgt STANLEY G LAWSON 14078334
Sgt ALEXANDER LITVANSKY 36169998

TO BE APPOINTED SERGEANT

Cpl WILLIAM R FOLEY 35352498 Cpl ALFRED T KARSTETTER 39287912
Cpl ROBERT A LONG 15354728 Cpl JOHN W LUDGATE 12162418
Cpl WALLACE E POTTS 17155160

TO BE APPOINTED CORPORAL

Pfc DONALD B AUBOL 17157364 Pfc WILLIAM F RUSSELL 12092447
Pfc CHRIST T TROUPIS 16189550 Pfc MORRY WORSHILL 36658738

TO BE APPOINTED PRIVATE FIRST CLASS

Pvt JOHN A JOHNSON 17018018 Pvt THOMAS H SKELTON 18061447
Pvt TRAVIS L SMILEY 14074460

5. Under the prov of AR 615-5 and upon the recommendation of their CO, the following named EM, 90th Sq, are aptd NCO's (temp) and Privates First Class as indicated:

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TO BE APPOINTED TECHNICAL SERGEANT

Sgt WILLIAM HENRY 32335784

TO BE APPOINTED STAFF SERGEANT

Sgt KENNETH I. GRAVLEY 3781650 Sgt MALES B HUNTLEY 13038628
Sgt RICHARD F LYLE 37193607

TO BE APPOINTED SERGEANT

Cpl MELVIN J ABELN 35796735 Cpl IRA B COHEN 32333665
Cpl HENRY E HOFFMAN 35630001 Cpl WALLACE M LEHNARTZ 37272809
Cpl SAWLEY ROBINSON 32502523

TO BE APPOINTED CORPORAL

Pfc CHARLES V ALEXANDER 36140680 Pfc JOSEPH R BOGARD 18154219
Pfc JOSEPH M DINATALE 33457144 Pfc ELIAS J ELGIN 34659522
Pfc LLOYD R WENDT 34658126

TO BE APPOINTED PRIVATE FIRST CLASS

Pvt JAMES E DIERICH 6267915

6. Under the prov of AR 615-5 and upon the recommendation of their CO, the following named E4, 89th Sq, combat crew members, are aptd Sergeants (temp):

Cpl ROBERT W ALSPAUGH 34771568	Cpl PAUL L CAMPBELL 33683087
Cpl WALTER B COBB 32757056	Cpl WILLIAM H FANCHER 37521521
Cpl SAMUEL C GAUL 32669704	Cpl CHARLES R HARRIS 34985113
Cpl WILLIAM A LYCN 13143713	Cpl EDWARD A MCKENNEY 31366325
Cpl MIKE S SZUCS 36432131	Cpl RICHARD C WILKINSON 14149185

7. Under the prov of AR 615-5 pfc CLAUDE H BUTLER 37682697, Gp Hq, is aptd Corporal (temp).

8. Under the prov of AR 615-5 and upon the recommendation of his CO, Sgt WILLIAM A MCCORMICK 37615692, 90th Sq, is rd to the gr of Private (for cause).

9. Under the prov of AR 615-5 and upon the recommendation of his CO, Pvt WILLIAM A MCCORMICK 37615692, 90th Sq, is aptd Corporal (temp).

By order of Lieutenant Colonel ELIS:

OFFICIAL:

Paul P. Jones
CCAL P. JONES,
Major, Air Corps,
Adjutant.

CCAL P. JONES,
Major, Air Corps,
Adjutant.

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HEADQUARTERS
3D BOMBARDMENT GROUP (L) AAFAPO 321,
10 April 1945.SPECIAL ORDER 3)
NUMBER 27)

1. Having been trfd in gr to the 3d Bomb Gp per par 19, SO# 44, Hq 93rd Repl Bn, dtd 4 Apr 45, T Sgt BERNARD S NATHMAN 18003203 (686-1) is further trfd in gr to the 8th Sq, eff 8 Apr 45.

2. Having been asgd and trfd in gr to the 3d Bomb Gp per par 15, SO# 96, Hq 380th Service Gp (FEAFGRATC), dtd 6 Apr 45, the following named O and EM are further asgd and trfd in gr to orgns indicated, eff 10 Apr 45:

2D LT BILLY G HARRIS 0764989 (1022) ^{8th Sq} Sgt WILLIAM C WITZEL JR 12157493 (748)

Cpl CLAUDE DUNKIN 18213726 (612) ^{13th Sq} Cpl LORAN J McCUMBER 32942360 (748)

^{89th Sq}
2D LT WENDELL P OWENS 0784336 (1022)

^{90th Sq}
S Sgt HARVEY N HECK 35005546 (612)

3. Under the prov of AR 615-5 and upon the recommendation of his CO, Cpl ARNOLD L WRIGHT 35697966, 13th Sq, is rd to the gr of Private (for cause) per VOCC 7 Mar 45.

4. Under the prov of AR 615-5 and upon the recommendation of his CO, Pfc SYDNEY BLETTNER 12121482, 13th Sq, is rd to the gr of Private (for cause) per VOCC 21 Feb 45.

5. Capt BURDETTE C HINSEY 0856471 is aptd Weight-and-Balance Off in addition to his other dys.

6. Under the prov of AR 615-5 and upon the recommendation of their CO, the following named EM, 89th Sq, combat crew members, are aptd Staff Sergeants (temp):

Sgt EMERY J BOURQUE 31263205
Sgt EDWARD W DeRISI 42004383

Sgt VANCE J CLUFF 19024909
Sgt ARTHUR T HARLIN 12226042
Sgt WARREN E JONES 31355902

7. Under the prov of AR 615-5 and upon the recommendation of their CO, the following named EM, 894th Chem Co, are aptd NCO's (temp) and Privates First Class as indicated:

TO BE APPOINTED TECHNICAL SERGEANT
S Sgt LUTHER W WILKERSON 38353598

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Par 7, SO# 27, Hq 3d Bomb Gp, dtd 10 Apr 45, cont'd:

sgt DAVID J MATSON 6846295 TO BE APPOINTED STAFF SERGEANT
 Tsg 4 GEORGE C ARBUCKLE 38414182

Pvt HENRY A BATA 38417911 TO BE APPOINTED PRIVATE FIRST CLASS
 Pvt JESUS PINAS 38457269
 Pvt DEWELL R HILL 38305202

8. Under the prov of AR 615-5 and upon the recommendation of their CO, the following named EM, 13th Sq, combat crew members, are aptd sergeants (temp

Cpl EDWARD D AVETTA 37693095 Cpl JOHN G STEWART 35647713

9. Having been trfd in gr to the 3d Bomb Gp per par 14, SO# 34, Hq 93rd Repl Bn, dtd 25 Mar 45, the following named EM (MOS 882) are further trfd in gr to orgns indicated, eff 29 Mar 45.

Cpl PHILLIP D CAMPBELL 34792173 8th Sq
 Cpl VINCENT L DORRIG 31218115

Cpl STEVE J DLUBAC 15033060 13th Sq
 Cpl BOEN E SELCHER 14173407
 Pvt FREDERICK F TURCO 32913730

S Sgt FRANK J SCIOLLA 33053162 89th Sq
 Cpl EVERARD G DUNLAVY 14155675
 Cpl BILLIE B COOPER 38482211

Cpl DONALD R BIER 35322542 90th Sq
 Cpl SOL CHANIN 36799120

10. Having been trfd in gr to the 3d Bomb Gp per par 1, SO# 84, Hq Base "H", USASOS, dtd 25 Mar 45, Tec 3 EDWIN LOGVE 32001431 (201) is further trfd in gr to the 13th Sq, eff 29 Mar 45.

By order of Lieutenant Colonel ELLIS:

OCAL P. JONES,
 Major, Air Corps,
 Adjutant.

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 Major, Air Corps,
 Adjutant.

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HEADQUARTERS
3D BOMBARDMENT GROUP (L) AAFAPO 321,
22 April 1945.SPECIAL ORDERS)
:
NUMBER 30)

1. Having been trfd in gr to the 3d Bomb Gp per par 4, 30# 108, Hq V Bomber Command, dtd 18 Apr 45, the following named EM (750) are further trfd in gr to orgns indicated, eff 4 Apr 45:

8th Sq
T Sgt DANIEL F PARKER 14001216

T Sgt JAMES G SMITH 12013960 13th Sq
S Sgt JOSEPH P DZIOB 36149495
S Sgt JOSEPH K McCULLOUGH 18043370

89th Sq
Sgt JOHN L WILTSHIRE 13034006

2. Having been trfd in gr to the 3d Bomb Gp per par 12, 30# 108, Hq V Bomber Command, dtd 13 Apr 45, the following named EM (747) are further trfd in gr to orgns indicated, eff 4 Apr 45:

S Sgt JOHN W WETHERBEE 11035713 8th Sq
Cpl WILLIAM B OHAIR 89171786 89th Sq

3. Par 7, 30# 22, this Hq, dtd 23 Mar 45, is hereby revoked.

4. Capt JOHN N TOLAR 0912180 is aptd asst Intelligence Off, eff 23 Apr 45.

5. Under the prov of AR 35-1480 Cpl WILLIAM A McCORMICK 37615692, 90th Sq, is rel'd fr dv requiring regular and frequent participation in aerial flts, per VOCC 11 Apr 45.

6. 1st Lt JAMES H BOUVET 0864684 is aptd Summary Court for the purpose of securing and disposing of the effects of the following named O and EM, 89th Sq, deceased:

Capt EDMUND C UOR 025504
S Sgt WARREN B JONES 31355902

1st Lt STEPHEN C STUNTZ JR 0566849
S Sgt RICHARD R SCHWARZ 32771757

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SO# 30, Hq 3d Bomb Gp, dtd 22 Apr 45, cont'd:

7. Capt ROBERT SPIETH 0560361 is aptd Summary Court for the purpose of securing and disposing of the effects of T Sgt LAWRENCE H PACK 6574660, 89th Sq, deceased.

8. Under the prov of AR 615-5 and upon the recommendation of his CO, Cpl WILLIAM A McCORMICK 37618692, 90th Sq, is rd to the gr of Private (for cause) per VOCC 21 Apr 45.

9. Having been asgd and trfd in gr to the 3d Bomb Gp per par 5, SO# 105 Hq 340th AF Service Gp (PEARFUR&TC), dtd 15 Apr 45, the following named and EM are further asgd and trfd in gr to orgns indicated, eff 20 Apr 45:

2d Lt THOMAS C CARLISLE JR 0758275 (1022)	13th Sq
3 Sgt RUSSELL B DIMMER 13028311 (748)	89th Sq
Cpl ROBERT S NUGENT 42060335 (612)	13th Sq

10. Under the prov of AR 615-5 and upon the recommendation of their CO, the following named EM, 8th Sq, combat crew members, DS to Hq V Bomber Command, are promoted to the gr of sergeant (temp):

Cpl EUGENE E HAUMSCHILD 16108051	Cpl GEORGE J HAYWARD 35069139
Cpl ARISTIDE V MASTRODDI 12226558	Cpl FRANCIS J McNAMARA 36658178

By order of Colonel ELLIS:

CHARLES P. MARTIN,
Lt Col., Air Corps,
Executive.

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Lt Col., Air Corps,
Executive.

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HEADQUARTERS
3D BOMBARDMENT GROUP (L) AAFAPO 321,
25 April 1945.SPECIAL ORDERS)
:
NUMBER 31)

1. Under the prov of AR 615-5 and upon the recommendation of their CO, the following named EM, 894th Chem Co, are promoted to the grades (temp) indicated:

Cpl HARRY MACHOVER 32227975	To be aptd Sergeant
Tec 5 SANFORD D BRINGLE 34503694	To be aptd Corporal
Pfc ROLLAND D BRATTON 37670022	To be aptd Technician Fifth Grade

2. 1st Lt SNOWDEN SQUART 0650613 is aptd Classification Off, in add to his other dys.

3. Having been asgd and trfd in gr to the 3d Bomb Gp per par 2, SO# 113, Hq 360th Air Sv Gp (FEAFORC), dtd 23 Apr 45, the following named O and EM are further asgd and trfd in gr to orgns indicated, eff 1 May 45:

<u>8th Sq</u>	
S Sgt AUBREY L RUESS 20309267 (612)	Sgt FRANK J MATUZIC 12081728 (748)
Sgt LEWIS H WHITLOCK JR 14060345 (748)	Cpl IVAN J BOHUSLAV 18189802 (612)
Cpl NORMAN J CARNEY 33686945 (748)	Cpl CALVIN L COOKMAN 33742117 (748)
Cpl THOMAS W COYAN 33140967 (612)	Cpl FREDERIC D CURTIN 31440441 (612)
Cpl HOWARD B LOOMIS 12105693 (612)	Cpl OMA S SMITH 32310301 (748)
<u>13th Sq</u>	
2d Lt CHESTER H BRANDON 0826089 (1022)	2d Lt ENDICOTT F DAVISON 0826113 (1022)
2d Lt THOMAS C SPRIGGS 0828818 (1022)	Cpl DONALD E LEFFLER 33672258 (612)
<u>89th Sq</u>	
2d Lt HENRY E McCORD 0810189 (1022)	2d Lt CLIFFORD J HAINES 0761509 (1022)
2d Lt JOSEPH C RHODES 0784354 (1022)	2d Lt THOMAS H RHODES 0784355 (1022)
S Sgt CHARLES W KEOHE 17030693 (748)	S Sgt RAYMOND J HEHL 17012192 (748)
Cpl EUGENE F GEBOLYS 36554637 (612)	Cpl BLAKE F KERSH JR 18248333 (612)
<u>90th Sq</u>	
2d Lt ALLAN S BUFKIN 0768924 (1022)	

4. Under the prov of AR 615-5 and upon the recommendation of his CO, S Sgt CLARENCE E JORDAN 34232270, 13th Sq, is rd to the gr of private (for cause).

5. Under the prov of AR 615-5 and upon the recommendation of his CO, pvt CLARENCE E JORDAN 34232270, 13th Sq, is promoted to the gr of Corporal (temp).

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SO# 31, Hq 3d Bomb Gp, dtd 25 Apr 45, cont'd;

6. Under the prov of AR 615-5 and upon the recommendation of their CO, the following named EM, 90th Sq, combat crew members, are promoted to the grades (temp) as indicated:

TO BE APPOINTED STAFF SERGEANT
Sgt NATALE J GENTERA 32415025 Sgt CHESTER E MATHERS 34708082

TO BE APPOINTED SERGEANT
Cpl JOSEPH M LEVINSKI 30732407

7. Having been asgd to the 3d Bomb Gp per par 6, SO# 114, Hq V Bomber Command, dtd 24 Apr 45, 1st Lt DONALD G HEET 0649202, is further asgd to the 89th Sq, eff 24 Apr 45.

8. Under the prov of AR 35-320 Capt WILLIAM T ROBINSON C564153 is aptd Class "A" agent for 15th Finance Disbursal Section, APO 32A, for the purpose of paying and RM of Gp Hq for the month of April 1945; amount to be in-trusted not to exceed \$10,000.00 at any one time.

9. Under the prov of AR 25-1480 the following named EM, 13th Sq, are held fr dy requiring regular and frequent participation in aerial fits:

S Sgt BARNETTE C BAUER JR 34187145 Cpl VERNON R HOLMBERG 36819125

By order of Lieutenant Colonel HOWE:

CHARLES P. MARTIN,
Lt Col., Air Corps,
Executive.

OFFICIAL:

Charles P. Martin
CHARLES P. MARTIN,
Lt Col., Air Corps,
Executive.

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HEADQUARTERS
3D BOMBARDMENT GROUP (L) AAFAPO 321,
29 April 1945.SPECIAL ORDER:
NUMBER 32)

1. Under the prov of AR 35-320 the following named Off are aptd Class "A" agent for J G KEISER, 1st Lt FD, for the purpose of paying O and EM of orgns indicated for the month of April 1945; amount to be instructed not to exceed \$25,000.00 at any one time:

Capt	DAVID J DONOVAN	0649037	8th Sq
Capt	JCEN M WALLACE	0649131	13th Sq
1st Lt	ALVIN H PAUL JR	0562967	12th Sq
Capt	EDWARD MANDELL	0563767	90th Sq
Capt	CECIL J SPARLAND	01081153	894th Chem Co

2. Under the prov of AR 35-1480 M Sgt LAWRENCE H DEAN 15068726, 89th Sq, Aerial Gunner, is detailed to dy requiring regular and frequent participation in aerial flts, per VOCO 12 Feb 45.

3. Under the prov of AR 615-5 and upon the recommendation of his CO, S Sgt JOHN E HINES 33628496, 90th Sq, is promoted to the gr of Technical Sergeant (temp).

4. Having been trfd in gr to the 3d Bomb Gp per per 5, SO# 116, Hq V Bomber Command, dtd 26 Apr 45, the following named EM are further trfd in gr to orgns indicated, eff 14 Apr 45:

T Sgt	HAROLD B GEE	16007915 (970)	89th Sq
S Sgt	PARKER O BURFORD	18110741 (969)	13th Sq

5. Having been trfd in gr to the 3d Bomb Gp per per 13, SO# 116, Hq V Bomber Command, dtd 26 Apr 45, the following named EM are further trfd in gr to orgns indicated, eff 14 Apr 45:

Cpl	DONALD R HOUGHLAND JR	37216984 (970)	90th Sq
Cpl	WILLIAM J McCracken	37217080 (970)	8th Sq
Pfc	ALFRED J LIPSKY	16111000 (969)	90th Sq

6. Maj SAMUEL M FREDERICK 0407098 is aptd Commanding Officer, 90th Sq, vice Maj STANLEY D KLINE 0675235 reasgd, eff 30 Apr 45.

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SO# 32, H: 3d Bomb Gp, dtd 29 Apr 45, amended.

7. Maj STANLEY D WILKE O676238 is aptd Gp Operations Officer, vice Lt Col CHARLES W HOWE O44081, retd. cfr 30 Apr 45.

8. A Special Court-Martial is aptd to meet at Gp Hq, 3d Bomb Gp, APO 321, as soon as practicable for the trial of such persons as may be properly brought before it.

DETAIL FOR THE BOARD

Major SAMUEL M FREDERICK O404098
 Capt MASON A COPELAND O649004
 Capt DAVID J DONOVAN O619037
 Capt EDWARD MANDELL O563767
 Capt JAMES B PETERSON O054578
 1st Lt ROBERT H ELLIOTT O562927

Capt JOHN N TOLAR O912180
 Trial Judge Advocate

Capt JOHN M O'BRIEN O654908
 Defense Counsel

All cases heretofore referred for trial to the Special Court-Martial aptd by par 1, SO# 3, this Hq, dtd 17 Jan 45, as amended by par 1, SO# 4, this Hq, dtd 27 Jan 45, and par 1, SO# 9, this Hq, dtd 5 Feb 45, in which assignments have not been made, are hereby withdrawn from that court and referred for trial to the Special Court-Martial herein aptd.

By order of Lieutenant Colonel HOWE.

William P. Robinson
 WILLIAM P. ROBINSON,
 Captain, Air Corps,
 Asst Adjutant.

OFFICIAL:

William P. Robinson
 WILLIAM P. ROBINSON,
 Captain, Air Corps,
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